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APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE: Basking in the warm appreciation of the audience, musical director Lorelyn Morgan and gala director Barrie Wood join the 220 other people who took part in the Northern Lights Overature over the weekend. For photos, see pages 10 and 11; for review, see page 12; for columns see pages 8, 9 and 12.

Woodland Ranch water fight ends

Ratepayers drop appeal after water removal plan changed

PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The water fight is over between property owners on Soyers Lake and Woodland Ranch.

Less than two weeks before the two sides were to square off at an environmental hearing, the Soyers Lake Ratepayers' Association has dropped its appeal of the ranch's plan to siphon millions of litres of water per day from adjoining Little Soyers Lake for two proposed golf courses.

The move came last week after Woodland Ranch agreed to greater restrictions in a deal arranged by the Ministry of the Environment.

"We withdrew our appeal because the remedies we were seeking were largely provided in a new set of conditions," says SLRA president David Pengelly.

The association has contended taking so much water from Little Soyers Lake could drop its level enough to dry up the creek that connects it to Soyers Lake. Not only would 180 seasonal and permanent property owners be affected, but also there could be serious environmental consequences, the association has said.

Under conditions Woodland Ranch agreed to last week, it won't be allowed to take a drop out of Little Soyers Lake until it first carries out studies showing the water removal won't have a harmful environmental impact.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada will also be required to confirm in written reports that drawing

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Partners propose condo development for Haliburton

PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Cottagers who have grown to love the Highlands after years of vacationing here are usually forced to give up their weekend getaways as they get older and caring for their property becomes too difficult.

Snowbirds who travel south for the winter face similar problems, trying to arrange that their homes are looked after while they're gone for long stretches.

But a development proposed

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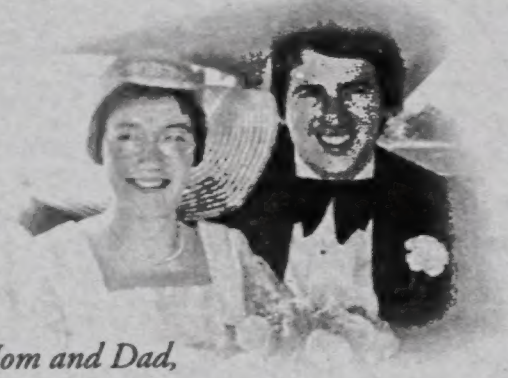

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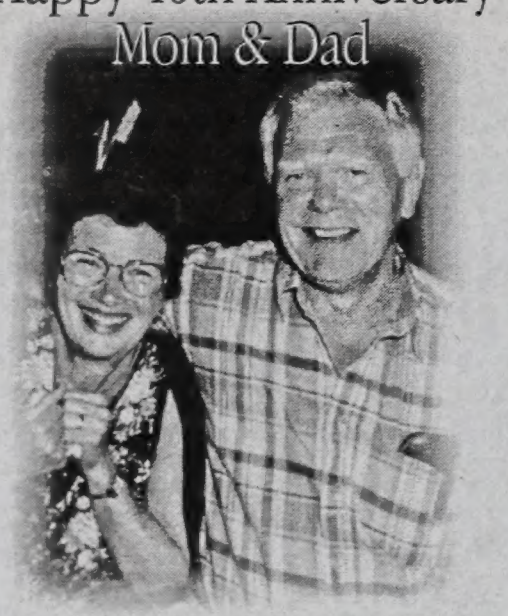

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Billets needed for touring German band

FROM AUGUST 3 TO 5, a 50-member band is on a three-week tour of Ontario and their first stop will be Haliburton County. While they are here they will do a performance at the Northern Lights Pavilion (Aug 3), visit the Haliburton Forest (Aug 4) and then perform in the Haliburton Rotary Parade on the Wed evening. They depart Thursday morning. Rotarian Lynda Shadbolt is co-ordinating their visit and need billets for the band members, who range in age from 11-70. About 25 host families will be needed. If you are interested in sharing a room of your house, please contact Lynda Porter at 457-2797.

here, there & everywhere — news and events worth noting

It was a pleasant surprise to open up a recent edition of the National Post and see a picture of former Highlander Jeff Stamp. His dapper photo accompanied a full page article about CNN's Atlanta operations, where Stamp started to work shortly after graduating from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in Radio and Television Arts. He is the son of Derrell and Kim Stamp of Haliburton.

His Majesty's Feast was a fun night for the more than 200 people who packed into Chateau Woodland recently, and it was also a profitable one for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. The Haliburton Rotary Club, which sponsored the dinner, raised more than $4,000 for the Foundation.

A young boy from Derbyshire, England is looking for a penpal, a boy age nine to 11. Thomas Higgins writes "my hobbies are building models with Lego technic, airfix kits, watching Formula 1 racing on tv, playing computer games. I enjoy doing sports such as soccer, kwik cricket, rollerblading and riding my bike. I am also a member of the Cub Scouts. I like to go in our caravan around the country with my family, and we get to see and do lots of different things." If interested, please contact Barb Smith at 457-3996.

In the year 2000 the town of Lunenburg's Tall Ship will participate in the International Tall Ships 2000 Race and OpSail, parades of Sail, the largest maritime events of their kind, sailing from Canada, Europe, the Caribbean and the USA. Voyages range from one to four weeks, with 22 crew changes. To share in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and promote Canada while visiting exciting ports of call, you are invited to obtain applications by contacting Tall Ship Millennium Challenge, 53 Falkland St., P.O. Box 1269, Lunenburg NS, BOJ 2CO. Phone/ 902-634-8171/fax 902-634-7245. Email: challenge@tallships.ns.ca

First Night Peterborough is seeking performers and artists for the millennium celebrations in downtown Peterborough on December 31. Artists and performers are welcome to submit as many applications as they have ideas. The application deadline is July 16. For more information, call David Schneider-Fields at 705-740-2120 or write to First Night, Box 1744, Peterborough, K9J 7X6.

May donations bring HHHSF's total to $2.12-million

The following is a list of people who made donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation in May. The Foundation has raised a total of $2,12,308.

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Hodgson stays put in cabinet shuffle

PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

After a week of speculation that he'd be moved to a different portfolio, Premier Mike Harris has kept riding MPP Chris Hodgson close to his side in one of the most powerful positions at Queen's Park.

Hodgson's duties have changed as a result of last week's cabinet shuffle, but he retains his job as chair of the management board, which controls spending of all ministries.

Hodgson will now be able to concentrate his efforts solely on that ministry. For the past four years he had also served as minister of Northern Development and Mines. But in Thursday's shuffle, Harris promoted backbencher Tim Hudak to take over the portfolio.

"I'm pleased," Hodgson said shortly after the new 25-member cabinet was sworn in. "I've had two ministries for four years. There's been a lot of travel (with Northern Development and Mines)."

Leading up to the cabinet shuffle, speculation in major media outlets had Hodgson taking over the often controversial education ministry.

"Just a slow news week. People making up stories, I guess," Hodgson said, discounting the rumours.

A Toronto Star columnist suggested the move from management board to education would be a promotion. But Hodgson noted in terms of government hierarchy, the top jobs are premier, finance minister and management board chair. All other ministries answer to those three offices.

"Management board doesn't have the public profile of education, but that's a result mainly of the controversy (that accompanies education)," he said.

Hodgson said he would have taken any assignment given to him by the premier, but he's glad to stay put. "I'm pretty happy where I am."

Harris also kept Minister of Finance Ernie Eves in his position.

Among the major changes introduced in the shuffle, Harris split the education ministry into two parts. Janet Ecker will oversee elementary and secondary school programs, while Dianne Cunningham is responsible for colleges and universities. Dave Johnson, the former education minister, wasn't re-elected on June 3.

Tourism, which used to be included with economic development, now gets its own ministry.

"Creating a separate ministry for tourism should bring more focus to an area that will benefit the Highlands," said Hodgson.

He said the new cabinet will focus on creating jobs and growth while fulfilling the promises outlined the "Blueprint" platform document that helped get the Tories re-elected at the beginning of the month.

THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE TV: On Friday afternoon at Curry Motors, the chairman of the Haliburton Rotary Club's annual car draw, Greg Bishop, and Rotary president Gerry Walker made the draw for the early bird prize, a new television. The winner was John Edmunds of Haliburton.

SCHOOL BOARD REVIEW: EIC co-chair Ann Vanstone, right, and board chair Cheryl Murdoch, centre, talk with another participant during the public portion of the commission's review of the school board's operations since amalgamation.

Board administrators take centre stage in EIC review

PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The gala opening for the new theatre at Haliburton's high school may have kicked off Thursday night, but the facility had its unofficial debut the day before.

Senior administrators with the district school board were literally on centre stage as a team of reviewers from the provincial Education Improvement Commission evaluated the recently amalgamated board's performance to date.

Board officials obviously had their lines well rehearsed for the production. With the house lights dimmed for dramatic effect, one administrator after another followed essentially the same story line: The board has coped well with difficulties created by amalgamation, but there are further challenges ahead.

School board chair Cheryl Murdoch set the tone for the public portion of the EIC's day-long meeting. "This is just one more challenge," she said of the merger. "We know we can work through this so it's best for kids. That's what this is all about."

The provincial government chopped the number of major school boards in half to 66 from 129 in a bid to reduce administrative costs. The amalgamations took effect Jan. 1, 1998.

A year and a half later, EIC teams are conducting reviews of each board to determine whether restructuring is working for students and how funding and resources are being directed into classrooms.

EIC co-chair Ann Vanstone, a Kennisis Lake cottager, was part of the review team that met with board administrators last week.

She and her three colleagues were told the biggest challenges facing the board are funding constraints and the vast size of the district it serves.

Like many other boards, administrators feel they're receiving far too little money for transportation and special education, said board director Evelyn Brown.

Business superintendent Ed Hodgins told Vanstone the board receives $3 million less now than it did when the three boards operated independently.

Unless the province bumps up funding for special education, the board is worried it will have to reduce the level of service it offer, said Warren Rosborough, superintendent of student services.

"The board has agreed to spend more than is being provided by the province, but we don't know how long we can continue with that," he said.

Compounding the funding problems, more students requiring special ed programs are moving into the district, primarily in the Lindsay area.

Many of the students are wards of the Children's Aid Society, formerly from metro Toronto, he said.

"We're starting to identify that kind of thing across the province, and maybe we can draw the (education) minister's attention to it," said Vanstone.

As the second largest English-speaking board in southern Ontario, travel time and distance are huge obstacles for Trillium Lakelands, administrators pointed out.

And because close to 90 per cent of students across the system rely on buses to get to school, transportation is a major expense for the board, said Hodgins.

Despite efforts to cut transportation costs by making students walk further to pick-up points, sharing routes with neighbouring boards and other initiatives, the board is still spending $260,000 more on busing the than the province provides, said Hodgins.

One way the board is hoping to tackle distance problems is by setting up a wide area network linking computers in all schools and all board buildings, said Bev MacWilliams, manager of information services.

However, the high-speed network can't be built until the necessary fibre optic infrastructure has been developed in this area.

Vanstone told administrators she understands it will take more time for the board to adjust completely to amalgamation.

"It's not our expectation or the (education) minister's expectation that the transformation is complete. The transformation, in our opinion, is about a three-year process."

The EIC team will release a report of its review, including recommendations for the board to follow, in the near future.

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Property owner offers land to Habitat for Humanity project

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Habitat for Humanity is knocking on Haliburton County's door.

Molly Ferguson, a Little Glamor Lake property owner, is willing to donate land for five year-round homes to the non-profit housing organization.

Now she wants to know if there's the interest and support locally to see the homes built.

She's invited George Anderson to be the guest speaker at a public information meeting on Monday, June 28 at 7 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. He may be familiar to some Highlands residents because his first parish as a young minister was in Irondale. Decades later, he brought Habitat for Humanity, an ecumenical effort which provides low-cost housing to families in need, to Canada.

"Habitat for Humanity is a hand up, not a hand out," says Ferguson, noting that families must commit 500 hours of "sweat equity" to help build the home along with a corps of volunteers.

As well, although the mortgage is interest free, before a house is built, the recipients' income is assessed to insure that the house is built in accordance with their ability to pay off the loan.

"It's quite a sophisticated and Christian approach," Ferguson says of Habitat for Humanity's business and benevolent practices. "I like what they're doing. This is not giving money to people. This is using people's resourcefulness, initiative and time."

Ferguson recognizes there are challenges in bringing the project to the Highlands, but after weeks of research, she believes the obstacles can be overcome.

One obstacle is location. The land is in a wooded area of Monmouth Township. It sits between Crown land and Ferguson's own cottage compound on Little Glamor Lake. Owners would have to have a vehicle since it is not close to any village.

Another concern is Habitat for Humanity's requirement of a population base of 25,000. The county may have only 12,000 permanent residents, yet cottagers swell the number to 50,000.

Monmouth Reeve Keith Tallman has expressed concern that too much of a burden would be placed on local businesses since it's expected that most of the building supplies are also donated. Ferguson says that with 30 contractors in the area, "if someone donates a bulldozer for the day and another donates a load of gravel, that's how it's done."

As well, major corporations already have a commitment to Habitat for Humanity. For instance, Home Depot always donates the insulation for the homes.

Ferguson adds that land acquisition is usually a major obstacle but since she's donating it for free, it will greatly reduce the overall costs.

Why is she donating the land? As her own retirement project, she's developed a cottage complex on her bay of the lake. The cottage lots back onto her Managed Forest property., which includes a Great Blue Heron sanctuary.

The Habitat land is behind her own cottage and is superfluous to her plans.

"It is heart-warming for me to anticipate the limitless rewards and benefits for the county and for all who become involved," she says in a letter. "The idea to start an affiliate came to me when I read an article by Cameron Smith in The Toronto Star.

"He encouraged communities to support a 'Mark the Millennium' project that the Community Foundation of Canada is supporting and promoting. Their mission: to encourage a 'process of civic engagement... for people who care and participate to make communities strong and healthy and sustainable... people getting together and giving together... to make life rich and colourful in good times and bearable in bad.. and making a difference to the quality of our lives.'"

If this project goes ahead, it could become the model for rural development for Habitat for Humanity, she says.

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NORTHERN LIGHTS PERFORMING ARTS PAVILION

The Haliburton Highlands Performing Arts Society is looking for applications from residents in Haliburton County to be part of the management team for the new Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

The management team will be responsible for the efficient running of the theatre in cooperation with the school. This is an elected volunteer position.

Applications are to be submitted by **August 1, 1999** to Box 359, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0. Please mark envelope "Performing Arts Society".

Ministry requires impact studies on lake

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large quantities of water from the lake won't cause "unacceptable ecological impacts to fish and wildlife habitat."

Originally, the Ministry had granted the ranch permission to draw up to 2.72 million litres (600,000 gallons) of water per day from Little Soyers Lake over a 25-year period, between May 15 and Sept. 30 annually.

But at the association's request, the Ministry cut back the length of the agreement to five years. Renewal after that time period will be tied to further approvals from the Ministry and consultation with affected municipalities and the association.

The earliest the ranch could begin taking water from Little Soyers is May 20, 2000, depending on the environmental impact studies.

The Ministry has also ordered the ranch to provide storm water and turf management plans to ensure runoff from the proposed golf courses — which may include chemical fertilizers and pesticides — don't adversely affect the water quality of Little Soyers Lake.

Woodland Ranch will have to establish a monitoring program to assess the water quality and levels of Little Soyers Lake and the creek.

Pengelly said he's "very pleased" the association and Woodland Ranch were able to come to an agreement with the assistance of the Ministry.

The situation shows there is a mechanism in place — through the Environmental Appeal Board and the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry — that allows groups like the Soyers Lake ratepayers to have input on important issue, said Pengelly.

"I feel very encouraged that we found out about it. We were able to do something about it and we were able to do something positive for the environment."

The association had been set to face Woodland Ranch at a hearing called by the Environmental Appeal Board on June 28-29 in Dysart's council chambers.

The Echo was unable to reach Woodland Ranch part-owner Donovan Palmer for comment.

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Family Services merger with CHACE is off

■ *Children's agency declines offer to unite, annual general meeting told*

DIANA ZLOMISLIC
Staff Reporter

Discussions about a possible amalgamation between the County of Haliburton's Agency for Childhood Enrichment (CHACE) and Family Services of Haliburton County can now be quieted after CHACE declined joining forces.

"We're disappointed but we respect their decision," said Martin, at Family Services' annual meeting last week. "We wouldn't have made the offer if we didn't think it was a good thing for the community."

In consideration of the community, the organization announced it will nevertheless be expanding its services in other directions.

One of the areas discussed was a locally taught self-defense course for women.

"We've received a critical mass of support in the last recent while," Martin said, regarding the course.

Martin said it's a financially feasible program that they would also like to see implemented in school systems.

Another initiative the organization will oversee is targeted at younger people and will be federally supported. Grant money from the Canadian government will be used to hire 12 people between the ages of 18 and 30 to work throughout the county.

For those still in school, a formal agreement has been signed with the Trillium Lake School Board to provide psychological educational assessment for students in need. Family Services used to provide the service for free but the school board has now offered to pay for it.

Barb Fraser, program supervisor, said there has been a lot of pressure for counselling services, as indicated by their waiting list, which Fraser said they hope to eliminate some day.

As far as finances go, the organization is sitting in good shape.

Despite operating on a tight budget, since the government doesn't advance funds any quicker than is needed, the association has been tidy in its finances, according to the auditor's report.

Most of the expenses last year were attributed to workers' salaries and benefits.

Next year, they expect more of the same but with a few new faces.

Jane van Nood, board president, is stepping down from her role after 10 years of diligent work. The new president is Maureen O'Hara. Lon Duncombe, past president and Eric Lilius, secretary, are also leaving the agency. The 1999-2000 board will consist of Jan McMaster, Mike Burke, Jamie Nicholson, Bev Muir, Mandy Fimio, Marvella Smith, Eleanor Harrison and June White.

TURN TRASH TO TREASURE: Dysart councillor Nancy Roberts gets a little help from her daughter Abby as she and Dysart reeve Murray Fearrey measure out a space for this weekend's World's Biggest Treasure and Trash sale, to be held along the boardwalk on Head Lake. People can reserve a space for $20 to sell all of their old stuff. That money goes to Dysart's recreation committee. People who buy stalls keep any money they make from goods they sell. Spaces are still available.

Stolen goods found in Lutterworth

On June 16, members of the Ontario Provincial Police Street Crime Unit and the Auto Squad Division of the Hamilton/Wentworth Regional Police Service executed two search warrants at a residence in Lutterworth Township.

Officers have seized approximately $250,000 worth of stolen motor vehicle component parts. These parts include motor vehicle engines, transmissions, frames and doors.

Further to the investigation, a 57-year-old man of no fixed address and a 23-year-old man from Carlisle have been charged in relation to the incident.

Both men have been charged with possession over $5,000.

The investigation is continuing and it is anticipated that further charges may be laid.

Announcement

The Management and Staff of The Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, Minden, is pleased to welcome **Ms. Mandie E. Kosfsky** in the position of Apprentice Funeral Director.

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Community Living shares stories of friendship and growth

DIANA ZLOMISLIC
Staff Reporter

Haliburton County Association for Community Living, tried to wrap things up a little differently at its 38th annual general meeting last week.

Rather than looking to an out-of-town guest speaker to inspire this year's audience, the committee's executive decided its own locals and volunteers would do a stellar job.

"It's about time we started patting ourselves on the back—" said executive director Cheryl Curry, "using people from our community to tell hometown stories."

Dustin Wicklund, 18, and Amanda McClenaghan, a senior at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, were two of the speakers who shared their experiences. They talked about their friendship that has evolved through a lunch buddy program that operates at the school.

The initiative is organized around "building inclusive high schools," which means celebrating and learning from each other's differences.

Dustin's mother, Ellen Baird, said the organization has been a great resource for her and her son.

"I really think this program helped me a lot," Baird said, referring to how the family worker helped them create a plan that would outline Dustin's strengths. The school then, could apply this information towards his school subjects.

From a financial perspective, it has also helped that the association's annual revenue is up by $34,000 from last year. Part of that amount is from a pay equity plan that the government has finally come through on, after four years of waiting. The rest of the money was attributed to last year's fundraiser which raised nearly $12,000.

All in all, the organization came in under budget for 1998/1999.

After settling its money matters, Community Living recognized the people who have proven invaluable in their support over the years.

Next year's board of directors was also established, naming Andrea Roberts, Barry Cray and Wendy Gunning as three new members to the Board.

NEW FACES:

The new Association for Community Living board was elected at last week's meeting at the Haliburton Legion. From left, above, are, front row Linda Brandon, President Pat Burk and Lynne Tate. Back row: Marilyn Pennycook, Barry Cray, Wendy Gunning, Tom Vos and Andrea Roberts. At left, Dustin Wicklund and volunteer Amanda McClenaghan talk about the benefits of the high school's lunch buddy program.

Fate of Dysart's wheelchair bus won't be decided until the end of June

DIANA ZLOMISLIC
Staff Reporter

The DyMo bus's fate is still insecure, even after Dysart et al council met last Monday morning to discuss its future operation.

Municipal council voted to extend the operation that transports people with special needs for one more month, until the end of July.

Until then, reeve Murray Fearrey said Dysart will advertise for partnerships.

"We all know the theme of today's society is partnerships," Fearrey said. "If it's really got some value in this community then I think partnerships will be formed. If it doesn't, then that means it doesn't have the value we thought and it isn't worth having."

Barb Menzies, program manager at Extendicare, was at the meeting to defend the value of the bus for the seniors home's residents and community members.

Menzies said there's a misconception that DyMo is mainly for use of Extendicare residents. But this sentiment, Menzies said, is untrue. Many seniors throughout Dysart who are incapable of driving get to their medical appointments via the service.

"I can't understand why you can't just repair it and raise the cost to use it," Menzies said.

Deputy-reeve Bill Davis, who is overseeing the transit issue for council, said he had no idea how much it would cost to repair the bus.

Davis did say that the bus's maximum salvage value stands at $5,000 today.

With only 80,000 kilometres on it, the 10-year-old bus's initial purchasing value stood at $60,000, estimated Menzies.

The bus's high depreciation is one factor why Northernways, the company that council was counting on to take the DyMo off its hands, chose not to purchase the vehicle, even though they'd been supplying the bus with drivers for the last decade.

"The year of the bus and the work that has to be done to it," said Sherry Fish, Laidlaw's operations manager, were reasons why the company did not make a bid for the DyMo.

Fish added, "We would only purchase a bus if it was under contract (with the school board). We don't normally just purchase buses to do on-call stuff. We'd use one of our existing buses for public charter."

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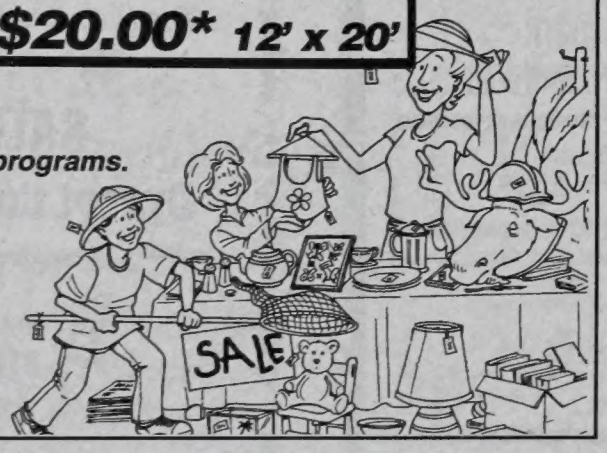

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Condo proposal targest 'adult lifestyles' market

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for Haliburton would allow both groups to continue enjoying all the county has to offer without the maintenance headaches of a cottage or house, say the partners behind it.

Peter Curry and Rolly Letourneau want to tap into the growing "adult lifestyles" real estate market by building a condominium with 36 two-bedroom units on the shore of Haliburton's Grass Lake.

"There seems to be a lot of people with cottages who are at the point where upkeep seems to be too much for them," said Curry. "They want a property with a simple form of upkeep."

Others want to be able to simply lock the door behind them as they head for warmer climes in the winter, knowing their property will be maintained for them while their gone, he said.

In the condo development Curry and Letourneau are planning, people would own their individual units and would be responsible for maintaining them inside. But all exterior maintenance, such as snowplowing and grass cutting, would be looked after by the condominium corporation.

Such developments exist in Bobcaygeon, Gravenhurst, Huntsville and other nearby cottage-country spots.

But residential lake-side condos weren't permitted in Haliburton until recently when the municipality of Dysart extended a sewer line along a section of the northern shore of Lake Kashagawigamog and Grass Lake.

The development Letourneau and Curry are planning would be built on a 2.5-acre lot with 450 feet of frontage beside Roberts Marine on Grass Lake.

The lot belongs to Letourneau, who lives on the other side of Cty. Rd. 121.

Letourneau, who owned and operated Haliburton's UAP Auto Parts for two decades before he sold it four years ago, used the lot to gain access to the Kashagawigamog chain of lakes.

But when the provincial government's new property tax system kicked in last year, he started thinking of ways to make the land pay for itself.

Letourneau teamed up with Curry, who has developed two residential subdivisions in the county and the office condominium occupied by Haliburton's Family Medical Centre. Together they hatched the idea for the Highlands' first adult lifestyles development.

The partners are hoping to begin construction early next year and have the units ready for occupancy that fall. The proposal still needs formal approval from Dysart council and a long list of other agencies.

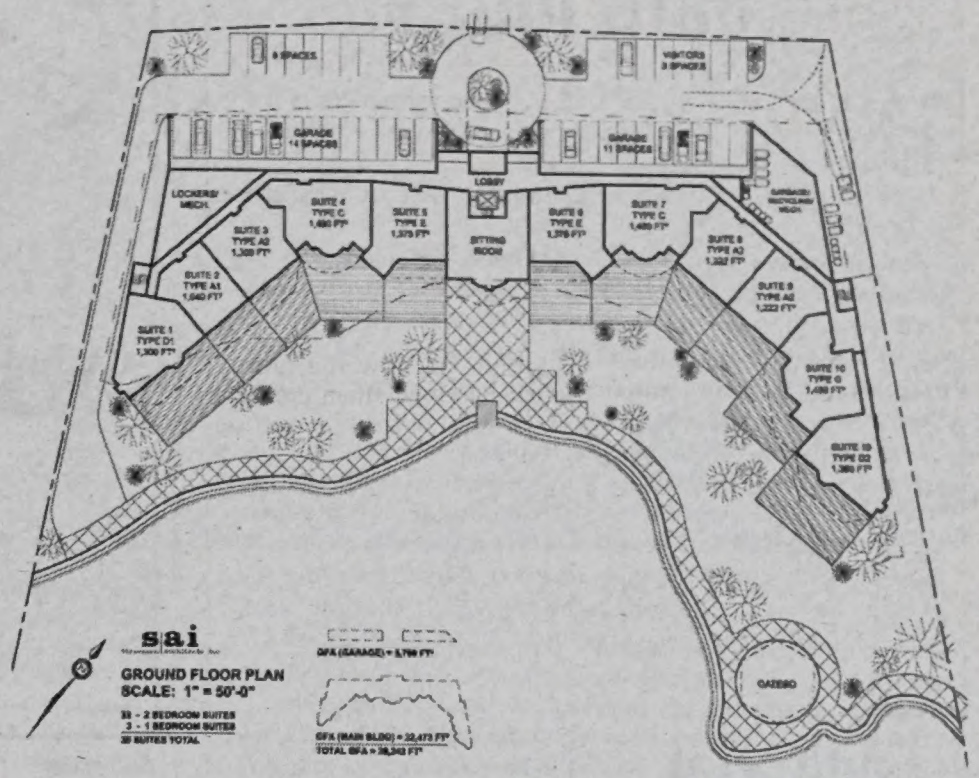
Each of the units in the proposed three-storey condo have two bedrooms, two bathrooms and face the lake. There are four different layouts.

The units would be priced between $129,000 and $155,000, which is mid-range for similar developments, said Curry and Letourneau.

A recent conference in the Highlands on adult lifestyles developments couldn't have come at a better time for Curry and Letourneau.

The two-day event at the PineStone Resort was organized by the Ontario Home Builders Association, with the assistance of the Haliburton Highlands Home Builders Association.

Speakers at the conference focused on who's buying into adult lifestyles developments and how to reach them.



36-UNIT CONDO PLAN: An architect's drawing of the condo development Peter Curry and Rolly Letourneau are planning for Grass Lake.

Curry pointed out they were also able to learn a lot from participants, many of whom have already built two or three lifestyles developments.

Those in the lifestyles market are typically 45 years of age and older, consultant Andy Brethour told the audience.

And as the label for the market indicates, they're generally more interested in accessing a way of life than they are in the physical structure they purchase.

"Don't sell them on the bricks and sticks. Sell them on the emotional appeal of the development," Brethour advised.

Bob Barnhart, who built a very successful, upscale development near Kitchener, emphasized Brethour's point. "The product is actually secondary. You're selling the lifestyle."

Curry and Letourneau plan to rely on the many amenities already existing in the Highlands — lakes, golf courses, trails and other recreational activities — rather than trying to develop their own on-site.

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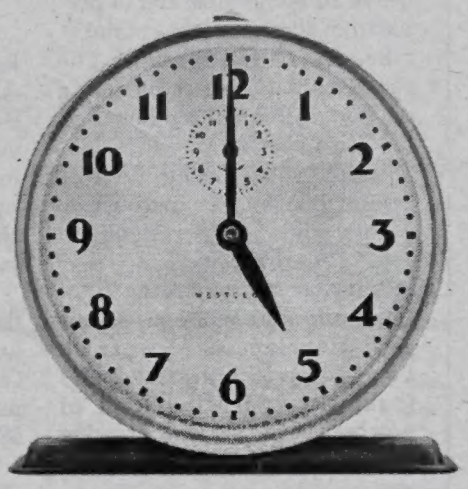

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A gala indeed

BY HIGHLIGHTING SOME of the performances of the past, the Northern Lights Overture shone a brilliant light on the promise of the future.

And what a future Haliburton County's first proper theatre will have.

On the surface, there's the theatre itself, a revelation to those who have suffered through – not always gladly – performances on those awful plywood chairs, straining to look over the heads of those in front of you to see the elevated stage. At the new Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, the stage is barely off the floor and it's the seating that's raked, easily providing open sight lines for the audience. The "real" seats (as in cushioned) are a godsend. The lighting is professional and ample, another treat. Judging by the gala performance, we're also blessed with people who can use those lights to obtain the greatest effect. (Given the older age of many audience members in the Highlands, the only weak spot is the lack of artificial amplification. Some electronics gadgetry would be much appreciated by those who had difficulty hearing all of the lines.) For the people on stage, having multiple entrance points opens up all sorts of possibilities – possibilities so delightfully explored throughout the gala. Audience members can't see it, but there are proper dressing rooms and backstage facilities. The lobby is very well done, utilitarian and yet able to help people forget that they're gathering in what still remains a high school.

echo **editorial**

martha perkins

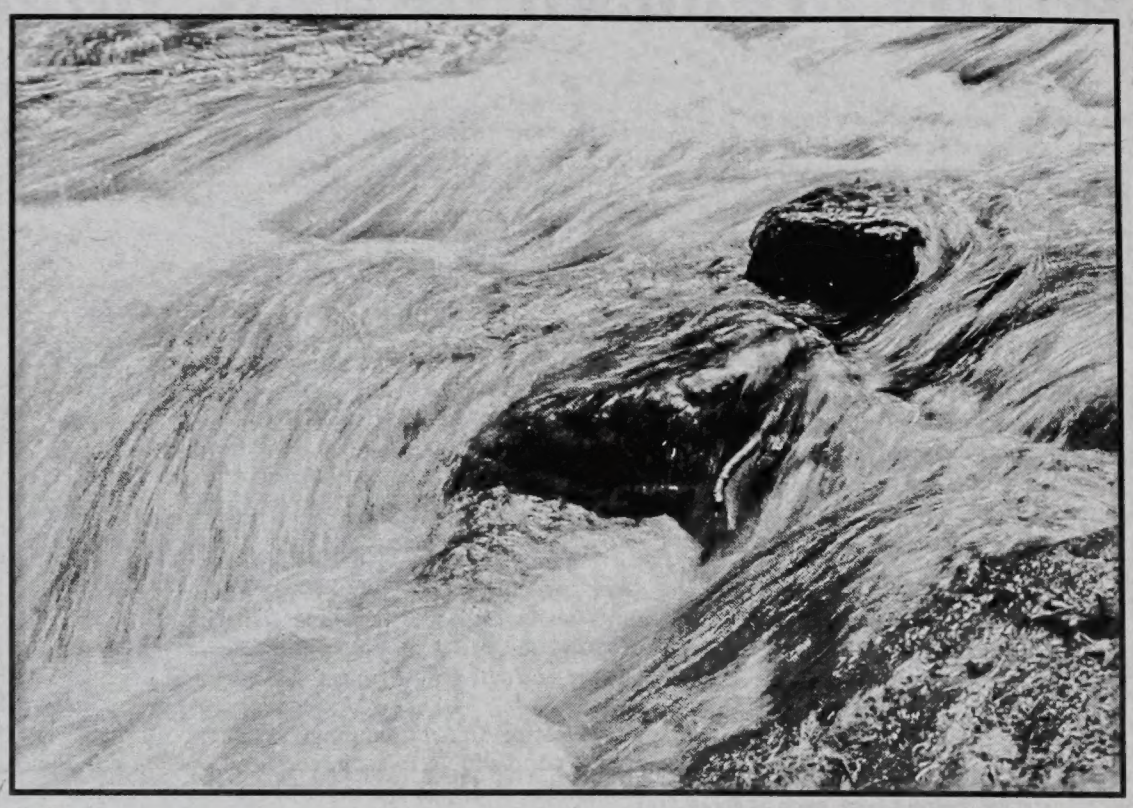
Heartfelt kudos to the people who worked so hard to get this facility built, and also all those who donated the money to make it possible.

But what the gala more importantly revealed was an enthusiasm for the performing arts. As one performance melded into another, it was amazing to see how many people were willing to volunteer hours of their spare time to sing, dance, act or play an instrument. In such a far-flung county, it's incredible that we have such a large dance troupe, choral group, theatre troupe and various musical bands. These people all freely dedicate hours of their time to rehearsals and practices simply because they love what they're doing, and love the ability to do it with others. On stage, these people are transformed from friends and neighbours – isn't that my dentist?, doesn't she work at the drug store? isn't that the columnist for The Echo? – into performers who share their delight in the arts with such enthusiasm and infectious glee.

Bringing together more than 220 of these performers at one place would have been a nightmare were it not for the remarkable talents of Barrie Wood and his wife Lorelyn Morgan. What a wise decision it was to hire Wood, a professional performer who bases his life in Eagle Lake when he's not on stage, to direct the gala. With their smiles and encouraging words, not only did Wood and Morgan orchestrate a seamless three-hour production, both on and off stage, but they also unobtrusively raised the bar of performance standards. They inspired people to be the best they could be, giving them a sense of the gala's grandness.

Some of their stage business sent a frisson of excitement through the crowds – the angelic children's choir descending from the heavens, the silhouettes of Morgan and piper Earl Cooper, their own Gershwin number and the shimmering northern lights which provided a simple but highly effective backdrop. The finale was awesome in the true sense of the word. It filled the audience with awe. Morgan's choreography of the Northern Lights Players, the players themselves, the music and then, the endless flow of the gala's other performers joining them on stage. Spectacular!

For the people who spent every night of the past week either getting ready for the performance or putting on the gala, a sincere thank you. It was incredibly hard work, but you made the people of this county proud.



Soft water *by Len Pizzey*

letters **to the editor**

Gala brought gifts of beauty, magic

To the Editor:

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus! And this June, in this county, his name is Barrie Wood. Unlike the other Santa, he is slight of build and he expresses his merriment not with a belly-laugh but with his joyful dancing. And, unlike Santa, Barrie brought only two gifts to Haliburton County last week: magic and beauty.

Magic in the way he and Lorelyn Morgan brought together a vast array of county-wide talent to make us laugh, tap a foot or hum along.

Beauty in hearing the whispered name "Bob-Beee Sisssson", as the angel looking down upon an evening he would have absolutely reveled in.

Magic in displaying the abilities of all age groups, and of people from all parts of the county.

Beauty in the faces of The Gentlemen of Song as they sang the Battle Hymn of the Republic, for God and country.

Magic in showcasing the truly awesome talent of our teenagers with the hilariously convoluted play "Zero Sum Mind".

Beauty in the witnessing all of those adorable white-clad little girls dancing to "Testify to Love", especially the tiny cuties (babies!) appearing out of nowhere at the last and bringing tears of joy and delight to the eye.

Magic in watching the stunning performance of Debbie Dart, whose acting skills easily compare with the best actors on the professional stage.

Beauty in listening to the voice of Lindsay Coates: she just opens her mouth and out comes this amazing sound that touches your heart and soul.

Magic of Barrie Wood's ability to take a few hundred complete amateurs (including the stage and lighting crew, and even ushers) and somehow turning them into seasoned professionals of the theatre; AND keeping track of a kazillion details to obtain the finished product: a seamless and flawless gala performance of very fine entertainment that made a three-hour evening zip right by much too quickly, and Haliburton feel like Broadway (now that's magic!).

> *"For taking this spirit and all of our "diamond-in-the-rough" talent and making it shine so very brightly, Barrie Wood you are indeed magical and beautiful."*

Beauty in seeing and hearing the only two real professionals, Lorelyn Morgan and Barrie ("Joel Grey") Wood delight and dazzle us with a Gershwin medley song-and-dance number: Wow!

Magic in bringing us snippets of The Importance of Being Earnest and (the spirit of) En Attendant Godot, a unique and rare treat.

Finally, and not least, the beauty of hearing God's name glorified, as it should be in this community, by the Haliburton County Children's Choir performance of the South African Suite as well as the Haliburton Messiah Choir's earth-shaking rendering of The Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah.

Our brand new Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion was opened in wonderful and grand style with this gala performance. A performance which, in itself, exemplified the spirit of hard work and generosity and cooperation of this community that made the theatre dream come true in the first place. For taking this spirit and all of our "diamond-in-the-rough" talent and making it shine so very brightly, Barrie Wood you are indeed magical and beautiful.

Très épatant!

René Benoit,
Haliburton

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The roar of the crowd

anne creelman

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I GUESS I SHOULD have mentioned last week that I was asked to do two articles in a row, one pre- gala and one post-gala. So, through eyes that can scarcely see and with hands tired from clapping, I am going to tell you, we have arrived, people, and it is pretty exciting.

The curtain has closed on the four performances of the Northern Lights Overture and it was I think, a resounding success. All of those with whom I spoke were so impressed with the show, the facility, the professionalism with which it was all done. And so they should be! An absolute ton of work went in to getting the show to the point that we saw. I haven't been part of anything like it since I left the city. The entire week was a masterpiece of choreography and I am not talking about any of the dancing in the show.

The stage crew was without a doubt top-notch. This was not an easy show to set the stage for as there were so many people coming and going, all without a break in the action. My hat goes off to Daniel Lewis and all the people behind the curtains who stayed until 1:30 am on Monday making sure they had their cues and marks just right. And they did! The piano crew was amazing. How they moved that massive piece of furniture so fast without once sending Kim Varty flying through the air is beyond me. The lights were terrific and who could have known that when Glen Scully went to see his wife in a play all those years ago, he would end up taking on the lighting of a show like this.

Stage nanaging has a special place in my heart since I used to do it and Doug Brohm, Brenda Ellis and Jocelyn Eastmure were great. All we the audience got to see was a fine finished product but those three were a big part of the reason. Jacquie Miller and her crew of traffic runners were phenoms every night. It was their job to make sure everybody was where they should be when they should be and if you weren't - look out! What a crew. It isn't easy herding a group of kids in a choir or for that matter, country twirlers, quietly backstage when they are all excited. But it was done with speed and a smile.

> *"Haliburton has arrived and from now on, people will be arriving here in Haliburton to experience the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion"*

The lovely front of house, or the lobby, as we can now call it. Did you ever think you would be seated by an usher here in Haliburton? Not only did Peg Bradford organize a fine crew of young people to usher and hold doors, these people were called in to service to help serve refreshments and although they didn't have to, they did it with grace and aplomb. And of course, there was entertainment value also as they staged there own version of the finale, led by June Smith, out in the lobby as it took place on stage. The beautiful photo displays by Jack Brezina and the floral arrangements by Jane and Chris set the scene as soon as you arrived. A classier meet and greet area you will not find anywhere.

There are so many people who deserve thanks for the hours of time they put it, but especially the Steering Committee - Linda Beachli, Jack Brezina, Joe and Peg Bradford, Doug Brohm, Daniel Douglas, Curtis Eastmure, Ennis Felts, Christine Lynd, Lorelyn Morgan, Caryl Moulton, Tom Regina, Tom Robinson, Heather Scully and Amanda McClenaghan. These were the folks who made sure the money was raised, that it was spent judiciously, that we would have a facility of which we could be proud and that would be enjoyed for a long time to come. You are all amazing.

And, of course, to the performers. You all hung in there and did your stuff for four performances and you kept it fresh and fun. It wasn't easy sometimes but you did it and everyone should be very proud of themselves and cherish these memories because it really is a once in a lifetime thing. To Barrie Wood, thank you for bringing a little of your life to Haliburton. You are out there in the real theatre world and you could have just pooh-poohed the local scene but instead you got right into the mood of what Haliburton is all about while at the same time bringing us up to a higher level. You took all of our fine, talented people and showed them how to showcase themselves in a professional way and we have all learned from it. What a treat!

But now the show is over and it is time for us to go back to out mundane, work-a-day lives. And that isn't all bad. It is time for people to rest, rejuvinate and remember what a swell week this was; the good times, the bad times, the bloopers, the highlights but most of all just the sheer pleasure of being involved, even in some small way, with such an occasion.

Yes, Haliburton has arrived and from now on, people will be arriving here in Haliburton to experience the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion and we will welcome them all with grace and goodwill - because that's what we do in Haliburton.

THE TWO MEN in the photo are Ray Archer and Cecil Irwin. Ray Archer of Haliburton learned his craft as a cook in the lumber camps (Laking's, Hodgson's, etc.). On his last job he cooked for the construction crews who built the Eagle Lake Road during 1931-32. He then became owner of Kozy Korner restaurant which he purchased from George Wood. Many remember his hospitality, his exceptional food and his famous raspberry pie and ice cream. Cecil Irwin owned and ran Sherwood Forest Boys Camp on Twelve Mile Lake. He was on the county school board that planned and built the first county high school in 1953. Our thanks to Tom Hodgson of Haliburton Lake for sharing the photo and text with us.

pic *of the* **past**

Tattered Chamber flags 'a disgrace'

To The Editor:

On Sunday, June 13, I had occasion to drive by the office of the Haliburton Highlands Information Centre/Chamber of Commerce office on Highway 35 at Minden. I was appalled at the disgusting condition of the two flags on display at this very prominent and important site.

To say the flags were flying would be kind... hanging in shreds would be more appropriate. Both the Maple Leaf and Ontario's Red Ensign were in a very sorry state of deterioration.

These flags represent our country and our province, and this office is for many visitors, one of the first impressions of the Haliburton Highlands, and a sad impression it is. Do we not fly our flag to show the world how proud we are to be Canadian?

If the flag is to be flown,it should be in good repair, or not flown at all. The torn, faded rags flying at the Information Centre are a disgrace, and you (Chamber directors and members) should all be ashamed.

Deborah Bates
Toronto

School sexual health clinic a great idea

To the Editor:

Re: Sexual health clinic and condom machines.

I applaud Andrea Hughes' letter to the editor in the June 15 Echo. She is right about high school kids having sex, and most parents should know it too. All they have to do is look back at their own teenage years.

All you fathers, can you honestly say that you never tried to have sex with your girlfriends, or any other girl you heard was "willing"? And all you mothers, you weren't all virgins when you married. But even if you were, how many of you really had to fight to keep your virginity? How many of your boyfriends turned to someone who would "come across"?

Not only that, but how often did any of us "plan" to have sex in those days? Usually it just happened when we were not expecting it. And remember the guilt you felt? I know, it happened to me. As a result, I got pregnant and married too young to the wrong man.

Now, the teenagers are planning when they will engage in sex, some of them at least. Wouldn't it be better if they were on the pill first to prevent unwanted pregnancies, and using condoms to prevent AIDS and STDs? I know we would all like our children to be virgins when they marry, but be realistic, it ain't going to happen!

Evelyne Rudd,
Haliburton

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur

Northern Lights OVERATURE

The Haliburton County Children's Choir directed by Lorelyn Morgan

The Tink brothers – Brian and William

Gershwin hoofer Barrie Wood

Player in Waiting Devon Dart

Jenn Orpana and an "earnest" Derek Little

Dancers Andrew Mansfield and Cathy Kulas

The Messiah Choir's John Payne

Cathy Cox and John Miller

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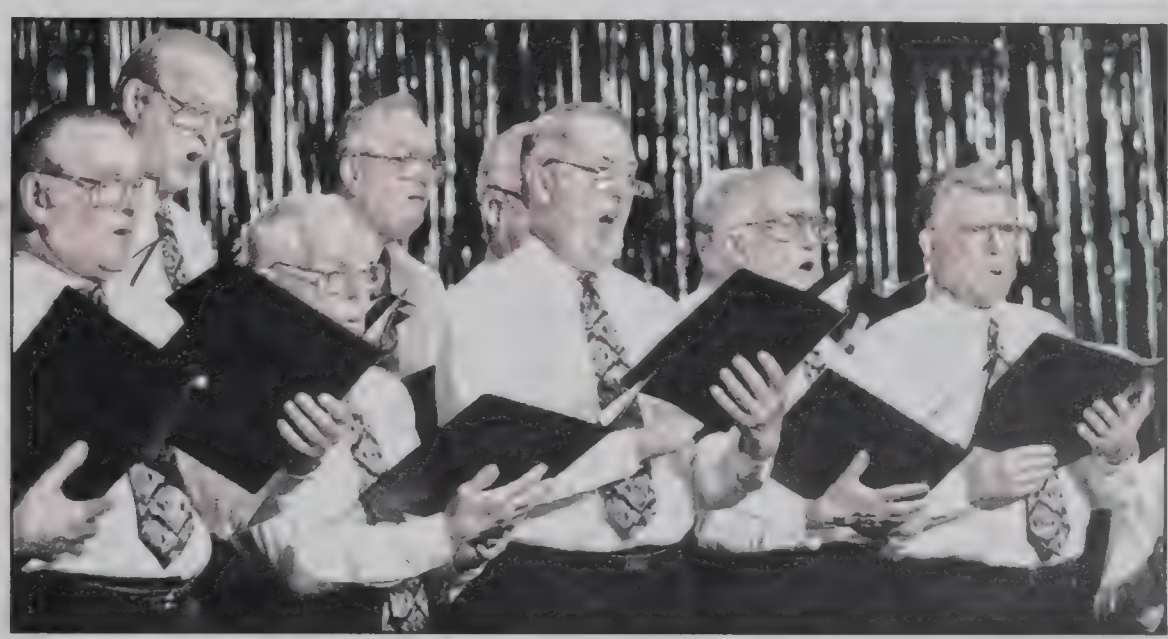

Clockwise from top left are Caryl Moulton in The Importance of Being Earnest, dazzling young members of Haliburton Dance Arts; the Gentlemen of Song; Wendy Gunning greeting Bill Hare as people gather in front of the school in all their finery; Kate Campbell and Devon Dart in Zero Sum Mind; Melissa Stephens leading the Messiah Choir; piper Earl Cooper in silhouette; and Heather Scully and Deb Dart as Players in Waiting

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Singer Maureen Forrester truly a 'renaissance woman'

To the Editor:

Maureen and more...

The front page of the June 15 issue of the Haliburton County Echo featured an article on Maureen Forrester, who was to be present at the Sunday gala for the opening of the Northern Lights Pavilion.

The article read – why is Canada's most famous contralto coming to Haliburton? According to Joan Stinson, Forrester gave the inaugural concert in 1980 for the newly formed Haliburton Concert Series sponsored by the Ontario Arts Council, but many do not know of the multi-faceted accomplishments of this outstanding artist – with exceptional talent and great intellect. She is truly a 'Renaissance woman.'

Many musicologists consider her one of the great contraltos of the 20th Century, in the same league as the incomparable English contralto, Kathleen Ferrier.

Maureen Forrester is a Gustav Mahler specialist – a very serious singer. In 1978, she was invited to accompany the Toronto Symphony Orchestra on a trip to the People's Republic of China.

She is also an incredible vocal comedian. Anyone who was privileged to see her performance for the National Arts Centre's production of Jules Massenet's opera, Cendrillon, (she was the wicked mother opposite Federica Von Stade and Canadian baritone Louis Quillico), was in for a rare treat. Who could forget her "Queen Victoria" head of the fairies role in Gilbert and Sullivan's operetta Iolanthe, given at the Stratford Shakespearean festival in 1984? Her portrayal of the witch in Humperdinck's opera Hansel and Gretel for the 1970 CBC television production was stellar. She created the same role in1978 when Hansel and Gretel was created for the Guelph Spring Festival and Theatre New Brunswick. The graduating production students and faculty of the theatre department of York University designed and built this production.

What else? Maureen Forrester was the first artist to be named a Companion of the Order of Canada in 1967, the year it was created. She dedicated five years of her productive career to serve as chairman of the Canada Council from 1983 to 1988. Had she been on the platform for the dedication, it would be more than significant if she was there as an official representing the most professional and respected grant-awarding institution which exists in Canada.

If people would like to know more about her, her philosophy and career, read her book, Maureen Forrester: Out of Character, a memoir with Marci Macdonald, published by McClelland and Stewart.

Respectfully,
David Bentley Boice
Toronto

Everything about theatre's opening was first class

To the Editor:

Hooray! Theatre is alive and well, and living in Haliburton County! Never before have I been so proud, pleased, delighted and impressed as last night at the opening gala for our new theatre. The performance was amazing, and everything about the evening was first class. The array of talent, and the professional production had everyone full of admiration.

Thank you, thank you, thank you, to everyone involved! And gratitude comes not only from me personally, but also from the organization I represent. As another cultural group active in this community, the Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts congratulates the drama group for their fabulous achievement, and their commendable contribution to Haliburton life.

June Stewart,
President, HHGFA

Sad stats show many kids unsafe in cars

mp john o'reilly

ottawa report

Road trips are a fact of life for many Canadian families in the summer. Keeping children safe in the car or minivan is a priority. This means making sure parents and caregivers know about the many different types of child restraints that are available, and how to use them properly.

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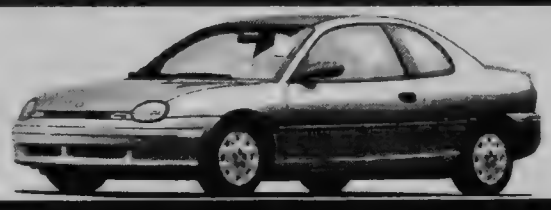

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Awe-inspiring! Delightful! A promising beginning!

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE! By the penultimate act of the Northern Lights Overture, the awe-struck audiences certainly needed no prompting.

As the Gala Players sang a Broadway tune about the thrill of being on the receiving end of so many hands joining in praise, the grand finale itself – having all 220 performers on the stage at once – inspired not only applause, but a spontaneous and heartfelt standing ovation. (Were it not for the fact the Overture had already entertained for three hours, there likely would have been calls for "Encore, Encore," too.)

If applause is the heartbeat of a performer's life, then hearts were certainly beating strongly after each of the four gala performances which opened the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

This showcase of Highlands talent, which was sold out each time, impressed the audience with its sheer magnitude of acts. Whether it was two performers alone on stage, the dozens of singers in the Messiah Choir and dozens more musicians in the Highlands Wind Symphony, not to mention the young choristers, actors in a play, Highland dancers, country twirlers or gala players, Haliburton County proved that this is truly where it's art – performing art.

Director Barrie Wood, who has performed professionally in Cats, Crazy for You and Beauty and the Beast, did an outstanding job in not only linking all these various performances together, but writing a bit of stagecraft to create an even more special ambiance.

He wrote the script for the Players in Waiting and Debra Dart, Heather Scully, Ernie Hemphill and Devon Dart excelled in bringing his words to life. Borrowing references from Waiting for Godot and adding in historical points of interest, his one liners and theatrical business were intriguing as well as entertaining.

But first, back to the beginning. The Northern Lights Orchestra set the tone for evening with its overture – lively and melodic.

Then appeared the Gala Players performing a piece from a musical by David Walden called Stage Lights. Perfect. The acts which followed certainly lived up to their wonderful promise of singing, dancing and acting.

Players in Waiting I showed two lonely performers in search of a stage and managed to transform a brass-coloured jacket into the haunting strains of the Highlands Brass Quintet. The quintet's first piece, composed for the gala by tuba player Walter Barnes, was an evocative tribute to Bob Sisson. Sisson, a local high school student, was one of the Highlands brightest lights on stage. In a tragic accident that touched so many people, he was killed by a drunk driver almost two years ago. The audience appreciated the quintet's Amazing Grace in bringing solace to those who mourn Bob's death. (HHSS students also raised $5,000 to ensure Bob's name was enshrined in a donor's plaque in the lobby.)

Brothers Brian and William Tink lifted the mood with their delightful violin pieces and if toes weren't already tapping, then they certainly were moving when the Haliburton Highland Twirlers took to the stage with a fanciful flourish of skirts and a dosey-doe.

From the heavens at the back of the theatre, the Haliburton Children's Choir descended with angelic grace, delighting the audience with this unexpected foray onto the stage. (Oh the joys of having a real theatre!)

Camelot lived again with a duet sung by Lindsey Coates and John Miller, who made the audience wish the entire musical could be performed again. Let's hope that in the future, these two do take to the stage in another musical.

Wonderful costumes heralded a humourous return of Oscar Wilde's The Importance of Being Earnest, or at least a scene from it. With no backdrop to help them create an illusion, the Highlands Little Theatre actors successfully relied on their own skills to transport the audience to another time and place.

The Haliburton Dance Arts' performance of Testify to Love was a testimony to how adorable a group of young girls dressed in white tutus can be. The staging was magical, with more and more dancers pouring onto the stage as the piece's momentum continued to build.

Players in Waiting II told the audience that at the turn of the century, the land where the theatre now sits was once home to Newnham, the fanciest house in the Highlands, where people would gather to perform in the Stewart family's pavilion.

With a highly effective segue, the curtains parted to reveal the Messiah Choir in all its splendour. The Gilbert and Sullivan solo by John Payne evoked memories of the high school's Glee Club (directed by Bill Gliddon, who achievements were noted by the Players. "He even had a paint company named after him.") And Handel's Hallelujah Chorus, with its infinite intricacies, reminded people why after the first performance several years ago, the Messiah Choir decided to stay together to thrill audiences with other productions.

With the HHSS Flute Choir turning the lobby into a courtyard salon, "cumberbunded" ushers served punch and treats to the milling crowd while outside, a light show made the starry sky glitter.

After intermission, curtains parted on the Highlands Wind Symphony, who brought a big band sound to the stage, ending with a smoothly flowing Lord of the Dance.

A return of the Tink brothers allowed the stage to be cleared for The Gentlemen of Song, Wilberforce's talented collection of baritones and altos who looked as if they were enjoying the performance as much as the audience.

From a dozen singers to two, John Miller returned for a duet, this time with Cathy Cox, turning the far-away allure of Brigadoon into reality.

Another evocative bit of staging occurred when piper Earl Cooper descended down the stairs, his profile caught by the lights on the wall, his music heralding the continued appeal in Highland dancing. Kilts a-swirling, the Mansfield School of Highland Dance was followed by the Scottish Country Dancers, making everyone glad the charm of Scotland had made its way across the ocean with the county's settlers.

An outstanding performance by the Red Hawk Theatre Company followed. With a bizarre but highly effective script, these high school students made sure no one would ever forget their performance of Zero Sum Mind.

A time of beautiful reflection took place when local piano teachers Lauren McInnes and Melissa Stephens performed a Debussy piece.

Then Barrie Wood and Lorelyn Morgan made everyone appreciate why they both have enjoyed professional careers on the stage. Their medley of Gershwin songs was truly lovely, made special by their individual talents and by the deep rapport which exists between this husband and wife team.

Finally, the Players in Waiting no longer had to wait. They had a stage, they had an audience and they had 200 performers from the Highlands ready to pull it all together for the finale. Singing Applause Applause, the Players explained why so many people were willing to spend so many hours pulling such a magnificent piece together. As all the gala's performers came on stage, the overall effect was simply outstanding.

But this review could not end without mention of all the people behind the scenes. The lighting, the sound, the backstage management, the front of house teamwork – for people unaccustomed to having such a facility at their disposal, they certainly demonstrated that they were up to the challenge – and surpassed expectations.

Bravo to each and every person involved and as audiences anticipate the future shows to grace the stage, may they all shout "Encore" with enthusiasm.

Northern Lights Pavilion may help Highlands re-define itself

There is a tide in the affairs of communities, if taken at the flood, leads on to wondrous happenings.

marian j. hare

perspectives

I DON'T THINK that Will Shakespeare would be overly upset with my paraphrase of his lines as it pertains to this past week's celebration.

There are moments in the life of any community that, most often in retrospect, become known as the defining ones. Most people, however, who attended any of the days of openning of our state-of-the-art Northern Lights Pavilion would have at least some inkling at this time that the profile of the Highlands may be being changed for the better. But do we understand that it will take the continuing efforts of the entire community to bring forth these wondrous happenings?

This new edifice is not just another recreational bauble to help us pass our leisure time. It is not just a place where amateur thespians, musicians, etc. sharpen their skills. It, over time, can gradually add a new dimension to the shape of the Highlands.

Just as the creating of the Fine Arts School has each summer increasingly helped to define our area as a haven for the arts and crafts movement, brought new artisans to reside in our area, put us on the Ontario art tour map, intermingled our sun-loving, water-worshipping summer residents with eager, intense, hard working students of the arts, and finally helped fill our resorts and bed-and-breakfast homes with guests.

The new Performing Arts centre can, I predict, have as profound an influence on the shape of the Highlands of the future as has the fine arts school, although it will be a more subtle change, not so easily measured in economic terms.

It is singularly appropriate that this complex be attached to an institution of learning for it must now educate all of us, not just the participants but the hoped for audiences as well. Of course the children of our area will have greater opportunities to explore various aspects of the "lively" arts. Some may, as a result of this new emphasis, grow up to consider a career in the arts. Others may continue to develop their early interest into a life long hobby.

That speaks to the performing opportunities now available. But as the closing number of the Northern Lights Pavilion Gala opening stated so clearly, the desire to perform, the wish to participate, is fueled mainly by the applause of the audience. That is the elixir that nourishes the participants during long and arduous hours of rehearsal. And as is said about the enjoyment of beer, attending such performances is a acquired taste.

With all the people now involved in the productions at our new theatre, many more people, the families and friends of the performers, will gradually be introduced to the enjoyment of this pavilion's offerings. Hopefully with audiences thus increased larger numbers of performers from a wider selection of disciplines will wend their way to our Highlands.

Part one is now complete. The foundation for an explosion of the arts in the Highlands has now been constructed with the openning of this new superb venue.

Part two - the performers – seems ready and waiting, from both the local amazing talent pool and the performers from across our country.

Part three - the audience – remains the one question mark. An early test of whether this community will thrive as a cultural centre as well as a summer and winter playground and an artisans' haven will occur on Sunday evening, July 11. A renowned instrumental ensemble, the much recorded, internationally known, Aeolian Winds will perform at the Northern Lights Pavilion.

Will our early enthusiasm carry over to support this and other scheduled events in the near future? It's our turn now, we the merely passive onlookers who do not need to spend years perfecting the skills of performance. Have we, the audience, the energy, the desire, the perseverance necessary to guarantee that this past week is the beginning of the flood tide that we in the Highlands have grasped not its crest?

Fitness classes offer options for all needs

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Have you ever thought about joining a fitness class but felt uncomfortable? Most people feel uncomfortable walking into a class because they don't know the moves, the people or the instructors.

If you want to join a class, go meet the instructors and introduce yourself, ask them to review what you will be doing in class so that you can know what to expect. Don't expect to pick up the class the first time because you won't, it takes time to learn new things. Go in with the attitude that you are going to have fun and not take it too seriously the first few times. Find an instructor who pays attention to what you are doing in class, not looking at themselves in the mirror. You need to know that safety is the major issue in the classes and that you are being motivated.

You are probably not the only new person in the class, so go and have fun and forget the rest. Fitness classes are a great way to exercise and meet new people. There are a variety of classes out there for example: Step aerobics, Kickboxing, Abs/butt/legs, Floor aerobics, Weight classes. Step classes use a 4 to 8-inch step that you step up and down on using different arm and leg movements. Great cardiovascular benefits and a great way to work on your coordination and balance.

Kickboxing classes are an incredible stress reliever and amazing cardiovascular workout.

Floor aerobics are where you basically dance around using no equipment and get a great workout.

Weight classes are a great way to tone up and get some definition and prevent osteoporosis.

Abs/butt/legs classes are just the way they sound, that is what you work and, boy, do you work them. Great toning class.

Recipe of the Week - Healthy Strawberry Shortcake

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Spread the cottage cheese on the angel food cake, then put the strawberries on top and sprinkle with icing sugar. If the cottage cheese is too bland for you, add a little maple syrup to it.

BANKING ON THE RIVER BANK:

The Haliburton branch of the CIBC recently made a $2,000 donation to the Drag River rehabilitation project. The money will be used for team development for the 11 high school students and one university student who have been hired to work on the riverbed enhancement program this summer, as well as safety training and equipment (hence the hard hats.) The CIBC's account manager, Steve Payne, sits on the project's steering committee and applied to a bank fund which supports student involvement, the ecosystem and community development for the money. Taking part in the cheque presentation are the HHSS science students hired for the project as well as Steve Payne, new Haliburton branch manager Dennis Bowering, who's recently moved to Haliburton from Orillia, HHSS science department head Dave Mowat, and summer project manager Dan Selbie, a university student home in Haliburton.

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ON YOUR MARK:
Above, a flag-waver signals the driver to put his pedal to the mettle at last Saturday's truck pull and Show and Shine events at the Minden Fairgrounds. At right, Brianne Hewitt relaxes inside a borrowed Dodge after finishing the four by four diesel event.

First-time competitor feels tug of truck pull

DIANA ZLOMISLIC
Staff Reporter

As the only female to compete this year, actually filling in for her boyfriend who was tied up at a lob ball tourney in Lochlin, Brianne Hewitt, who turns 20 next month, pulled herself into a temporary second place at the truck pull held last weekend at the Minden Fairgrounds.

Temporary because the men she had initially beaten paid $25 to re-enter the class, bumping Hewitt into fifth in the four by four diesel class.

For her first pull, Hewitt admits she was a little nervous but once she got the gears in four wheel low, it was as easy as pulling a block of cement can get.

For truck pull results, see pg 17.

"It really went quick," Hewitt said. "It almost felt like you were stuck trying to get out of something. The more you were trying to go faster and farther, the more you were being pulled back or down."

The Dodge Ram 2500 diesel extended-cab she was driving belonged to Jamie Cowen. While Hewitt doesn't own her own truck yet, she is hopeful that her father Larry, a long-time competitor in the pulls and Show and Shine, will see the need to buy her one now.

"Hopefully my dad will fix me up with something," she said, "probably a Dodge."

While many in the crowd didn't come here expecting to root for Dodge, by the days end, the company had garnered more support than they had last year.

Toothpick between teeth, Bernard Trumbull, looked very laid back as he pulled his Ram 1500 V8 into first place in his class.

With all of Dodge's success that day, at least one spectator is still unimpressed.

"It's just the driver," says Amber Smith, a Haliburton teen who's been watching these events since she was 10-years-old. "You let me in there and I bet you I can win. I'm just a big Chev fan, that's all."

VROOM VROOM:
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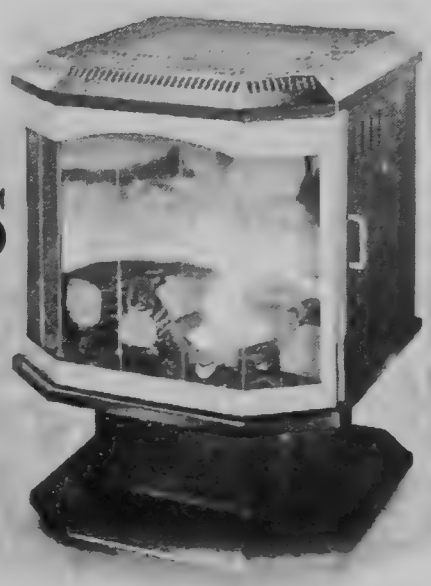

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HHSS athletes collect awards

ATHLETES OF THE YEAR:
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CUMMULATIVE AWARD WINNERS:
From left, are: Jesse Sternberg, Nick Kulas, Matt Reid, Nicole Cooper, Kelly Ketner, Tanya Sisson and Ryan O'Neill.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER AWARDS:
Back, from left, are: Jessica Belcher, Dan Morgan, Kate Campbell, Tanya Sisson and Liane Dron. Front, from left: Ainsley Heyes, Jesse Sternberg, Nick Kulas, Carrie Heyes, Cassie Hie and Abbey Pearsell.

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Best 90 + older Hi-way Hauler Class, sponsored by Mid-Ontario Mack: 1st - Harold Wessell; 2nd - Don Royle; 3rd - Larry Hewitt.

Best 99 - 2000 Log Truck Class, sponsored by Bernard Trumbull Trucking: 1st - Roger Danilko.

Best 98 + older Log Truck Class, sponsored by Rick Danilko Trucking: 1st - Ricky Danilko.

Best 99 - 2000 Working Truck Class, sponsored by Complete Western Star: 1st - Bruce Draper; 2nd - Dave Pettes; 3rd - Jay Garbutt.

Best 95 - 98 Working Truck Class, sponsored by J.A.C. Kernohan Const. Ltd.: 1st - Todd English; 2nd - Collin Watson; 3rd - Michael Fearrey.

Best 91 - 94 Working Truck Class, sponsored by Dwight Little Logging: 1st - John Francis Fuel; 2nd - Tom Prentice; 3rd - Mike Wessell.

Best 90 + Older Working Truck Class, sponsored by John E. Francis Fuels: 1st - Terry Prentice; 2nd - Brian Peel; 3rd - Doug Lee.

Best Fleet Working Truck Class, sponsored by Larry Hewitt Contracting: 1st - Larry Hewitt.

Best 99 - 2000 Pickup Class, sponsored by Ridgewood Ford: 1st - Christina Black; 2nd - Bernard Trumbull; 3rd - Kennedy's Pre-Clean.

Best 95 - 98 Pickup Class, sponsored by Harold Wessell Logging: 1st - Laurel Watson; 2nd - Jeff Black; 3rd - Dave Fennell.

Best 91 - 94 Pickup Class, sponsored by Thomas Contracting: 1st - Paul Walker; 2nd - Roy Lichty; 3rd - Paul Mitchell.

Best 90 + Older Pickup Class, sponsored by Curry Motors Ltd.: 1st - Dave Bell; 2nd - Bill Prentice; 3rd - Bruce Bounsall.

Antique Class (30 yrs. +), sponsored by Kawartha Dairy Ltd.: 1st - Glen Madill; 2nd - Tony Prentice; 3rd - Ken Evans.

Decline of lake levels slows down

The weekend of June 12/13 was hot, but did not result in a large decline in lake levels. Some areas had not had rain for 12 days, but the carry-over effects had continued.

Haliburton lakes, which had risen to 90.8% on June 10, declined a bit over the rest of the week to average 88.3% of maximum level. This was still a little higher than 1998 at this time.

The Kawartha lakes have a small surplus remaining and the outflow is back down to much less than the June average.

The level of Lake Simcoe-Couchiching was down by less than a centimetre over the week and still about 15 centimetres less than full level. At this time of year it is usually still a few centimetres above the full level. Minimal flows are continuing from the lake at Washago.

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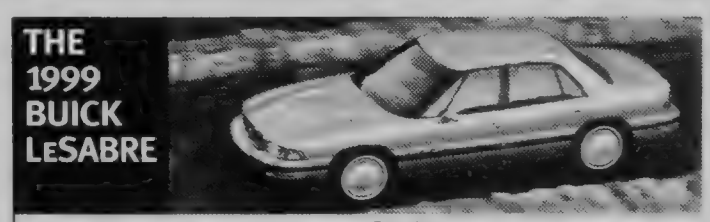

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TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, INHABITANTS AND RATEPAYERS OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

We have examined the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation of the Township of Snowdon for the year ended December 31, 1998 from which the accompanying summary financial statements have been prepared. We have reported on the consolidated financial statements without qualification on March 23, 1999.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements fairly summarize the information contained in the consolidated financial statements upon which we have reported.

Humpage Taylor McDonald

Peterborough, Ontario
March 23, 1999

Chartered Accountants

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
At December 31, 1998

	1998 $	1997 $
ASSETS		
UNRESTRICTED		
Cash	3,288	3,718
Taxes receivable	181,366	132,549
Accounts receivable	6,139	15,133
Due from reserve funds	5,447	-
	196,240	151,400
RESTRICTED		
Cash	45,956	45,599
Due from reserve fund	(5,447)	1,388
	40,509	46,987
Capital Outlay Financed By Long Term Liabilities And To Be Recovered In Future Years	51,016	59,512
	287,765	**257,899**
LIABILITIES AND MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Bank indebtedness	10,000	20,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	51,755	24,971
Other current liabilities	-	6,097
Due to reserve funds	-	1,388
	61,755	52,456
Net Long Term Liabilities	51,016	59,512
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES AT THE END OF THE YEAR		
To be used to offset taxation or user charges	38,993	3,452
Reserves	95,492	95,492
Reserve funds	40,509	46,987
	174,994	145,931
	287,765	**257,899**

The above data has been extracted from the audited 1998 Financial Statements of the Township. Copies of the 1998 Financial Statements and the auditor's report thereon, are available at the Township's Offices to any resident who wishes to review or analyze the financial operations of the Township in greater detail.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For The Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Budget 1998 $	Actual 1998 $	Actual 1997 $
SOURCES OF FINANCING:			
TAXATION AND USER CHARGES			
Residential and farm taxation	273,176	275,461	230,477
Commercial and industrial taxation	6,520	6,520	15,692
Taxation from other governments	700	1,018	1,762
User charges	18,733	30,290	90,413
GRANTS			
Government of Canada	-	-	3,137
Province of Ontario	272,354	278,073	77,444
OTHER			
Penalties and interest on taxes	13,000	19,482	19,986
Investment income	5,600	8,791	6,056
Contribution from developers	-	300	1,088
Sale of capital assets	-	2,022	300
Contribution from trust funds	2,500	-	-
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR			
To be used to offset taxation or user charges	3,400	3,452	15,970
Total Financing Available During The Year	**595,983**	**625,409**	**462,325**
APPLIED TO:			
CURRENT OPERATIONS			
General government	137,244	137,633	137,710
Protection to persons and property	154,237	154,012	41,312
Transportation services	203,598	196,456	200,170
Environmental services	48,204	51,922	45,215
Recreation and cultural services	12,726	4,697	4,730
	556,009	544,720	429,137
CAPITAL OPERATIONS			
General government	10,000	9,508	-
Transportation services	37,000	37,800	21,589
Environmental services	16,000	-	-
Recreation and cultural services	4,500	866	-
	67,500	48,174	21,589
Net appropriation to (from) reserves and reserve funds	(27,526)	(6,478)	8,147
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR			
To be used to offset taxation or user charges	-	38,993	3,452
Total Applications During The Year	**595,983**	**625,409**	**462,325**

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Year Ended December 31, 1998

1. The 1998 Financial Statements consolidate the operations, assets and liabilities of the Township of Snowdon and its local boards and municipal enterprises

2. **OPERATIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD AND THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON**

	School Board $	County $
Taxation	404,773	191,106
Taxation from other governments	-	689
	404,773	191,795
Requisition	404,773	191,795

The revenues and expenditures are not reflected in the "Consolidated Statement of Operations".

3. **TAX RATES**

Tax Class	Municipal	County	Education	1998 Total
Residential/Farm	.00332492	.00225084	.00460000	.01017576
Farmlands/Managed Forest	.00083123	.00056271	.00115000	.00254394
Commercial	.00492985	.00333732	.01696523	.0252340
Commercial Vacant Unit	.00234583	.00233613	.01187566	.01655762
Industrial Vacant Unit	.00279921	.00270702	.01326622	.01877245

Due to recent changes regarding the new tax classes and current value assessment, comparisons to prior years tax rates have not been presented.

Keeping busy, having fun

■ *There's lots for teenagers to do in the Highlands this summer*

JOSH WALES
ASES Job Shadow

As summer is quickly approaching, many Highlands teens are looking forward to the summer holidays and the end of the school year. Although the summer holidays can very relaxing, there are also many things to do around the county.

There is a new skateboard park in Haliburton, as well as the existing park in Minden which will surely attract many local skateboarders.

Many teens are also looking at day camps to spend their summer holidays. Camp Wanakita has an excellent day program for teens interested in sailing, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, wall climbing, crafts, sports, games and wilderness activities.

These day programs start on July 5th and end on August 27th, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Camp Medeba also offers a day program with rock climbing, canoe trips, mountain biking, swimming, and other summer activities. They have week long and two week long programs.

The Haliburton Hockey Haven Hockey School is designed to teach kids of all ages the fundamentals of hockey and to improve hockey skills. Teens can attend for hockey only, hockey day camp with half a day at Camp Wanakita or hockey residential camp.

Some teens will also participate in summer sports such as golf.

Golf has become very popular among younger kids and teens because of the challenging aspect and also because golf courses offer reduced golf rates and lower club membership fees. The popularity of golf is also attributed to the success of Tiger Woods who many feel has attracted a younger generation of golfers.

At Cedar Meadow Golf Course, kids under the age of 13 and under pay only $14 for 18 holes, not including a $5 fee for renting clubs.

Lakeside is also hosting its Second Annual Junior Golf Tournament which has been a lot of fun for Highlands teens in the past. The two Ryans – Ryan Hutson and Ryan Wood, are once again organizing a youth tournament at Highlands Golf Course on Lake Kashagawigamog.

The Haliburton School of Fine Arts also offers summer arts courses aimed at children, tweens and teens. Teens and Tweens courses range from fine arts, to computers and include Tweens Drawing, Painting and Sculpting, Teens Wire Sculpture, Tween's Computer Graphic Design. To find out more about the summer courses pick up a booklet at the library or the Sir Sandford Fleming College campus in Haliburton.

For many teens, however, this summer won't be purely recreational. Summer jobs can prove to be a very good idea for teens who need some extra spending money. Although some employers will be eager to higher younger employees, some will want older teenagers with more experience and will be more reluctant to hire 12 to 14 year olds.

Many teens in the Highlands might choose another summer option. Whether it's inside, outside, or by the lake, relaxing can be a very beneficial and very popular summer activity.

REPORTER FOR A DAY:

Josh Wales, a Grade 8 student at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, recently spent the day at *The Echo* to job shadow the editor, Martha Perkins. But she quickly put him to work, asking him to research and write a story about what teens can do this summer to keep busy.

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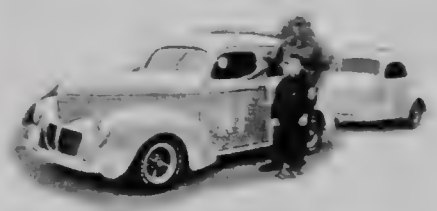

The Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers Car Club
would like to take this opportunity to say thanks again to the many merchants and people in the Haliburton County who helped support our club last year for both cruise nights and our Canada Day celebrations.

We would welcome any further support for our upcoming events this year.

Our cruise nights start June 17th every other Thursday until mid September in Haliburton at the Town Docks, beside beautiful Head Lake, starting at 6:30 pm until dusk.

Starting June 24th every other Thursday night until mid September at Kawartha Dairy, Hwy. 35 in Minden, starting at 6:30 pm until dusk.

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All creatures small and squiggly

WHAT HAVE WE GOT HERE?

Sifting through their collection of aquatic plant and insect life are students Jennifer Ferguson, Andrea Hughes and Jesse Lougheed, above. At left, another group of HHSS biology students net some fish.

DIANA ZLOMISLIC
Staff Reporter

ASIDE FROM the goose guano, Head Lake is actually a terrific place to live — if you're a scud or a midge larva, according to a group of Haliburton high school biology students who received a provincial grant to study the area's lake life.

Teacher, Dave Mowat's OAC biology class recently collected samples of fish and aquatic insects off of Rotary beach's shoreline, just beyond the bridge.

Keeping a measured eye on the diversity of lake organisms tells the health of the environment without chemical tests, says Mowat.

Tthe students found over 100 samples of aquatic insects, including water mites, mayflies, midge larva and plenty of scuds, indicating the environment is in good shape.

Scuds are bottom feeders in the lake. They look like shrimp and behave like shrimp but to the fish, especially the little ones, scuds are a wonderful meal, says Mowat.

And where there's abundant food, fish populations will thrive, so the two studies complement each other.

"This shoreline is perfect for little fish," says Mowat, "since the property is undeveloped."

From Head Lake, the group has collected baby walleye and spot tailed minnows. At an earlier study at Soyer's Lake, using nets, the students caught rockbass, large mouth bass and baby muskies, to name a few.

All of the students seem comfortable in their outdoor classroom and no one is squirming about handling the creepy crawlers or their scaley predators.

"They're cute," says student Eileen Shim. More like "adorable," adds fellow classmate Carolyn Ferguson.

This is the class's second and last time out working in the field. With exams approaching this week, they'll be turning their attention towards textbooks — well, most of them.

In the meantime, Mowat doesn't want the community to forget about the little organisms that make our lake healthy.

Since it would be difficult to gather students during the summer to continue the project, Mowat is urging cottagers' associations and anyone else interested, to get involved.

You can help the fish by setting aside or creating a wild area near your shoreline to attract the aquatic insects that fish feed on.

Another fish-friendly strategy is to plant some rushes or sedges, or any moisture loving wildflower, like high-bush cranberry, along the same area. These will stabilize the shoreline and give it some shade.

Morning spent on Kashagawigamog anything but a dry science lesson

AN OUTDOORS CLASSROOM:

Environmental science students didn't have to have thir arms twisted to spend a morning on Lake Kashagawigamog doing secchi disc testing.

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Anyone who thinks Grade 12 environmental science is dry and boring would have wondered why a group of HHSS students spent the morning on Lake Kashagawigamog recently.

Science is anything but dry when your classroom is on a pontoon boat.

Although the lesson on lake biology was enjoyable, that doesn't mean it wasn't an ideal opportunity to learn.

The students were doing secchi disc tests to help the Lake Kashagawigamog Organization gather data about water quality. With retired Conservation Officer Dave Ferguson volunteering at the helm, the students travelled to various parts of the lake and submerged their discs. Then they recorded the depth at which the disc was no longer visible.

It may be a simple method of recording water clarity, but it certainly is effective.

"The more cottages there are on a lake, the more chance for nutrient enrichment," says teacher Dave Mowat. "It's really important to monitor the state of the lake and therefore better manage our resources."

Trevor Babbs, the LKO's lake steward, has been taking secchi disc readings for several years and welcomes the assistance of the students. "We get considerably more information about the lake this way. We can pool our knowledge and have a good idea about the quality of our lake – whether it's improving or deteriorating."

This type of community partnership "is the future of education," Mowat says. For the students, it helps them realize the importance of scientific knowledge and its practical implications, making their studies more real. For the lake association, it provides the data base which will help steer the course of future decisions.

Asked why he's willing to spend a morning of his well-earned retirement piloting the boat (which was donated for the morning by Wigamog), Ferguson says when he was getting paid for his time, he didn't have much left to spend with his own kids. "I missed out on a lot of things with them because of work so now retirement isn't going to interfere."

Besides, he adds, "it's important the next generation gets to experience and understand the finer points of protecting and managing our natural resources."

And a morning on a boat in early summer can be a fine point indeed.

Gala a true accomplishment

The Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion has been wonderfully opened. What a superb facility it is. Great seating for audiences, improved lowered stage, a lighting and sound booth and behind-the-stage dramatic changes to provide for the performers to prepare and to access the stage - and a spacious foyer.

Congratulations to all who contributed in the creation of this theatre. Your vision, your ability, drive and energy, your financial support, your dedication to carry this project to completion were/are incredible. Thank you.

The Gala, including the Northern Lights Overture to open and celebrate this new theatre, was an amazing project in itself. To accomplish such a smoothly presented program which included talented performers from across Haliburton County given the constraints of time again proves the leadership abilities in the community. Involved in the program on stage and behind the scenes from Wilberforce and area were Ernie Hemphill, Elsie Lewis, Marg Jeske, Kerry Riley, Shirley Riley, Dan Linkert, Gill Stephen and all of The Gentlemen of Song. Enjoying the performance and all aspects of the Gala during the four occasions were a number of people from this area.

The Monmouth Seniors have a new executive for next season: Past President Joan Clark, President Floyd Tighe, VP's Gertrude Godfrey, Warren Bowen and Ted Deterling, Recording Secretary Verna Ablett, Corresponding Secretary Lucille Scott, Treasurer Colleen Riley, and Purchasing Agent for Luncheon Supplies Gertrude Godfrey.

Myrtle Weedmark called to say that preparations are well underway for the United

community news

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Hilda Clark

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Church's Annual Strawberry Supper, being presented Saturday, July 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. Adults pay $8; children, 6 to 10, pay $3.50; children, 5 and under, free. Always a tasty meal.

Canada Day celebrations in Wilberforce take place at the Historic Outpost Museum beginning at 11:30 a.m. All welcome to wave the flag, enjoy 132nd birthday cake, sandwich plate lunch and pontoon boat ride on Dark Lake.

Once again, sad news. The Wilberforce Cloggers have had their boom box, a big radio/tape recorder, stolen. As they left their dance session Sunday evening, June 13, at the Lloyd Watson Centre, the recorder was set down beside a vehicle to be taken home. Left unattended for a few minutes, it disappeared. Sad to say, there were several young people playing/hanging out in the area. The Cloggers are offering $100 reward for the safe return of their equipment, no questions asked. Where can such a piece be hidden? Don't parents check what their kids bring home? Let's get this boom box back where it belongs.

Intended for last week

In the past year, Scouting for children and youth has been revived here in Wilberforce. Jack and Verna McKeever have organized and led weekly meetings of Beaver/Cubs and Cub/Scouts. Jack works with the older group; Verna leads the younger ones.

To wind up this year, the McKeevers organized a camping Play Day for the youngsters at Floyd Tighe's forest property near the village. They enjoyed an overnight camp-out, campfire, followed by a full day of games and learning camping skills.

Thanks to the McKeevers and all who helped with this special time for the youth.

Family and friends of Anne Marshall were saddened by her death on May 30, 1999. A friendly lady with a ready smile, Anne (Hogg) Marshall was loved by her family and appreciated as a quiet, good neighbour. She loved to knit and created special pieces for her family and many colourful mitts, toques and sweaters over the years for the Red Cross Creations program.

Since her husband Lorne's death, Anne, though not in robust health, has, with some assistance, stayed in her own home. Just before a short spell of serious illness prior to her passing, Anne had decided she would stay with her daughter.

Sincere condolences are extended to her daughter Betty and husband Stan Wilkinson, grandchildren and great grandchildren, sister Margaret Vass and all her family.

The Millennium Committee is hosting a barbecue (hot dogs!) and information meeting on Thursday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m. (a hot dog and drink for $2) followed at 7:15 by news about events and projects being planned for the year 2000.

A meeting was held on June 7 to discuss services and procedures set up to handle various emergencies that could arise in the community. These might include fire, flood, storms, and any Y2K difficulties. Attending were members of Monmouth Council, Community Police Association, Fire Chief and Wilberforce School Council Choir.

Enjoying the fun and games at the Beaver, Cub and Scout camp out at Floyd Tighe's homestead are a competitor in the sack race, Scout of the year Kristin Nicholson being doused with welcome water, and Brendan Watson, Christian Guyton and Julia Hutchinson being tugged towards the mud hole.

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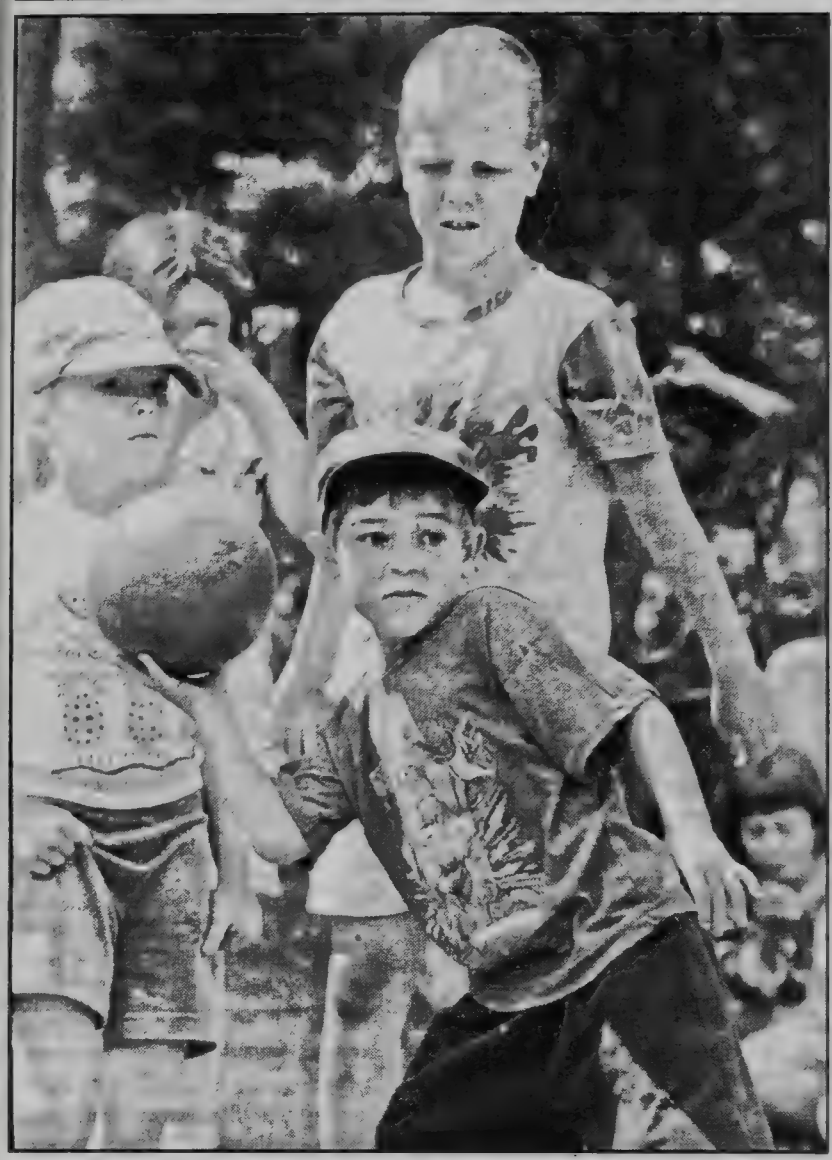


WILBERFORCE TRACK AND FIELD:

Last Friday, Wilberforce Elementary School students gathered for the annual track and field meet, testing their skills and enjoying the sunshine. Above, a young competitor tries the ball throw while below, one of the races begins.

Musicians collaborate adding local twang to country jam session, now available on tape or CD

community news

west guilford

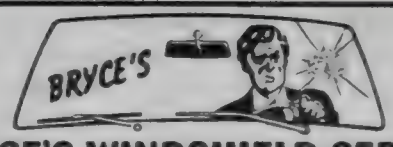
Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

Curtis Barry, son of Anna and Bryan Barry, had the opportunity recently to put his audio-engineering technique into practice. A country jam session at the Barry's on June 6 met to play some of the tunes they know and play so well together. Curtis recorded the "Country Jam" for tape and CD. The group included Al Blanchard, Bill Rennie, Nancy and Pete Grolman, Kurt Creelman, Gordon Kidd, Julie Chalmers, Paul Cowen, Marilyn Giles and Lisa Ogle.

Curtis is a graduate of the professional audio-engineering school in London, Ontario and his work now includes recording live bands for radio and television.

Congratulations to Jaro Cooper who graduated on June 8, 1999 with a degree in Master of Business Administration from the University of Calgary. Sid and Louise Cooper attended the happy event and toured some of the surrounding territory over the week there.

Ian Cooper and his wife, Dr. Nadia Tonello, dropped in to say hello and goodbye before their move to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan where Nadia will be beginning her four-year term in the pediatrics ward of the Saskatoon Hospital.



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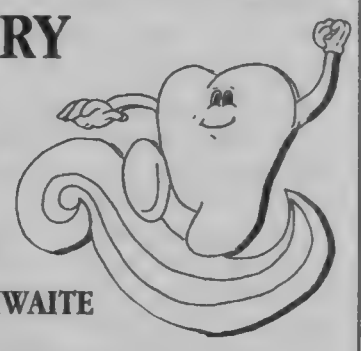
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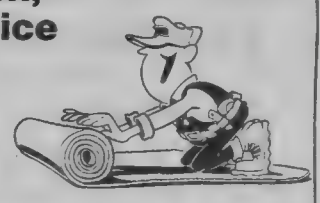
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At the present time, $5.5-million is required as the private sector share of the total capital project cost of $19.6-million in the expansion and renovations of facilities in Haliburton and Minden.

Volunteers interested in the Foundation and its endeavours should forward a letter with a short resume by July 9, 1999 to

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CARDIFF NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING for a PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

The Corporation of the Township of Cardiff will be holding a Public Meeting pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, 1990, to consider an Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 22-97.

The Public Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers on County Road 648 North, Highland Grove, on July 19, 1999 at 12:00 p.m.

A copy of the proposed By-law is available for review in the Municipal Offices during regular office hours (Monday - Friday, 9:00 to 5:00). Anyone wishing to address Council with respect to the proposal may do so at the Public Meeting. Persons unable to attend the Public Meeting may provide written comments to Council up until the time of the Public Meeting.

Purpose of the By-law
The purpose of this By-law is to rezone the subject lands from Primary Shoreline Residential (R3) Zone to the Environmental Protection Exception One (EP-1) Zone.

Effect of the By-law
The Zoning by-law Amendment will place the subject lands in the Environmental Protection Exception (EP-1) Zone, which will prevent the construction of any building on the subject property.

Lands Affected by the By-law
This By-law affects only Parts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Plan 19R-5809, and Parts 6, 10 and 14, Plan 19R-6318, all being Part of Lot 19, Concession 8 and 9. The subject lands are shown on the key map below.

Copy of a written notice with respect to this application may be requested by contacting the undersigned.

Linda Mumford, CMO
Clerk-Treasurer
Township of Cardiff
County Rd. 648 North
G.D., Highland Grove, ON.
K0L 2A0
(705) 448-1500 Fax: (705) 448-1502

Municipality of Dysart et al
Requests

Tenders for replacement of sliding wood door.

Sliding wood door to be replaced with insulated steel door. Tenders will be accepted until Noon, Friday June 25 / 1999. Details available at Arena and Municipal Office.

Lew Dummitt
Arena Manager
705 457-2083
705 457-1740 Muncipal Office

Municipality of Dysart et al
NOTICE

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared a portion of a shoreline road allowance in front of Part of Lot 7, in Concession 4, on Long Lake, in the geographic Township of Dudley, in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, July 12th, 1999, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of the said shoreline road allowance.

WHICH SAID PARCEL or tract of land is illustrated and shown as Parts 1 and 2 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., and dated May 7th, 1999, being available for inspection in the office of the Planning Administrator at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 26th day of May, 1999.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Township Planner

LIONS VISIT GOODERHAM STUDENTS:

Members of the Kinmount and District Lions recently visited Gooderham Elementary School to talk to the students about being a Lion and the community projects the service club carries out. They also spoke about Canada. Posing with all of the students at the school and staff are Lions Sandy Carrier, Doug King and Sheila Kempenski (in the Lion outfit).

Fireworks set for July 3rd

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Phyllis Briscoe
766-2237

Happy birthday to June Johnson, Pat Sinclair, Willy Bradbury, Vi Sampson, and Ralph Raven.

The big 1st of July weekend is fast approaching and, guess what? Dorset is going to have a big display of fireworks. This has become an annual event and is put on by the local business establishments. It will be held on Saturday, July 3rd at dusk (approx. 9:30 - 10:00 p.m.) on Big Trading Bay. As in the past, there will be no charge, but a boot will be passed around for contributions. Rain date will be Sunday, July 4th.

The Knox United Church in Dorset, is having its Annual Canada Day Sale on Saturday, July 3, at the Dorset Fire Hall, from 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. There will be a Flea Market and Bake Sale and donations will be appreciated. Bring sale items to the fire hall on Friday evening between 5:00 and 9:00 p.m. For further information call Roy - 766-2437. The next Friendship Luncheon for Seniors will be June 24 at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Interested? Call 789-0876. A Memorial Tea for Kelly Girard will be held Monday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Dorset Girl Guides.

Don't miss the Dorset Seniors Flea Market and Bake Sale on Saturday, July 3 from 8 a.m. to noon. t. Located at the seniors building, just south of Dorset on Hwy. 117.

On June 17, 1999, Jim Jones was installed as the Worshipful Master of Arcadia Masonic Lodge #440 in Minden. Jim is the first to attain the rank of Worshipful Master. Congratulations.

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Purpose of the By-law
The purpose of this By-law is to rezone the subject lands from Open Space Zone to the Residential One (R-1) Zone.

Effect of the By-law
The Zoning By-law Amendment will place the subject lands in the Residential One Zone, which will allow the construction of any building on the subject property.

Lands Affected by the By-law
This By-law affects only Part Lot 7, Concession 15, consisting of one acre of land.

Copy of a written notice with respect to this application may be requested by contacting the undersigned.

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community events

what's happening in the Highlands

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• *"DAFFODILS"* - A support group for people who have been or are now challenged with cancer. Meetings are held LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH. Place: Haliburton United Church. Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Family members welcome. Contact Jean Casey at 457-1010, or Helen Cox at 286-2224.

• *Keep fit* at Haliburton Aerobic Co-operative - various day, evening, weekend classes - Aerobics, Step, Kick Boxing, Weights. For more information call Kathy Carey, 457-3124.

• Ontario *Breast Screening Program* - Victoria County. Located at Ross Memorial Hospital on the ground floor). Are you a woman, 50 and over? Call and make your appointment today! (705) 328-6175 (no doctor referral necessary). Screening every Thursday.

• Every Thursday at 12 noon, the Haliburton Highlands *Senior Citizens Club* meets for lunch at the Haliburton Legion, $3.50 each.

• June 23: *Wheels to Meals*, 12 noon, RIP's, West Guilford. Additional information call Home Support at 457-2941.

• June 23: VON Adult Day Centre *Strawberry Tea and Bake Sale*, $2, from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., at Home Support Building, Haliburton.

• June 24: Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers *Summer Cruise Night* in Minden.

• June 24: *Duplicate Bridge*, 1 p.m., every Thursday at Home Support's drop-in centre. Bring a partner. Additional information contact Home Support at 457-2941.

• June 25: *Friday Night Live!* at Haliburton United Church, 7:15 p.m. All request evening. Come and ask for your favourite song. Child care and refreshments. A warm welcome to all.

• June 26: 4th *Annual Summer Fun Day* for students of Haliburton County (rain date June 27). Bring your coupon and get special rates. Highlands Driving Range, Mini-Golf & Batting Cages, located at Hwy. #35 & 118 Carnarvon. Phone (705) 457-2438 for info.

• June 26: *Strawberry Supper*, Maple Lake United Church, Hwy. 118 and Airport Rd. 2 seatings: 4:45 and 6:15 p.m. Seating is limited. Adults $8, 6 - 12 yrs. $4, preschoolers - free. Advance tickets call Myra, 754-1457.

• June 26: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Rain date - Sunday, June 27) - The Recreation Committee of the Municipality of Dysart et al invites you to participate in our First Annual *Treasure and Trash Sale*, at Head Lake Park. Stalls will be available to rent at a cost of $20 each . Proceeds from stall rental will go to improving recreational facilities and programs offered by the Municipality of Dysart et al. Used or hand-crafted items only. Call (705) 457-1740.

• June 26: The Annual General Meeting of the H.L.P.O.A. to be held at the *White Water Preserve Clubhouse* at 10 a.. Contact person: Isabelle Heaven, 286-2148.

• June 26 - Aug. 7: *School of Fine Arts Faculty Show*, Sir Sandford Fleming College faculty display their most recent works.

• June 27 & 28: Zion United Church - very entertaining evening, 7:30 p.m. evening of *fun, music and strawberry desserts*. Tickets $8.00

• July 1: *'Canada Day' celebration*, Kinmount Heritage Park. Festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. Featuring live music by 'The Spacers'. Family picnic-barbecue, wagon rides, races, contests, draws, flag raising ceremony. Bring your lawn chair. Silver collection. Sponsored by The Canada Day Committee, a sub-committee of the Kinmount Committee For Planning & Economic Development.

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• July 3: Kinmount - **Toll Bridge**, Kinmount Lions & Planning Committee.

• July 3: *Bake Sale and Flea Market*, 9 a.m., Main St., Kinmount - Kinmount Seniors Group.

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CYCLING SAFETY:

Harley Vineham negotiates pylons during a bicycling safety course the Four Counties Brain Injury Association recently held for youngsters at Dysart arena. Outside the area, the association hosted a BBQ and car wash to raise funds for programs within the association's catchment area. Naomi Stephenson, Brandon Greig (hidden) and Nathan Stephenson volunteered in the car wash.

Amalgamation of the Minden Women's Institute with Victoria is a possibility, says the eastern district president

by MARY COX, Secretary

The members of the Minden Women's Institute met at the Library Culture Centre for their pot luck luncheon on June 23 at 12 noon. President Jean Cox welcomed the 14 members and their eight guests including the president of Victoria East district. Then all enjoyed the tasty salads, rolls and delicious desserts, tea and coffee.

The Victoria East President, Mary MacMaster, asked us to think about the amalgamation of the Victoria East and Victoria West districts, and also to consider filling one of the vacant officer's chairs in the Victoria East district. All other items of interest are printed in the Home and Country magazine which we receive four times in a year.

Irene Moore reported sending out ten cards since our last meeting. Collections for this and Pennies for Friendship were taken. We sang happy birthday to Deloris Cartmill. New programs were given out for next year. Many thanks to Carol Cox for printing them.

We were reminded about bringing food for the lunch which will be served by the W.I. at the library on July 17, day of the garden tour, also quilts for the quilt show on July 31 and August 1 and helpers for the W.I. Booth.

Three draws were made and the winners were Bette Herlihey, Nancy Gayton and Bev Wood.

After singing God Save the Queen, the meeting adjourned.

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Coboconk resident returns from tour Down Under

■ *Shirley Bowins recalls parts of her seven-week long, "incredible adventure"*

community news

coboconk

Sheila Lake
454-2314

The Coboconk Fire Department is holding an "Anything Goes" fundraiser sale. All the proceeds go to the Coboconk Firefighters Association. The sale takes place at the fire hall on July 31 at 3 p.m. You can rent a table, if you wish. Phone Bonnie Spry at 705-454-1556 for information. Donations gratefully received.

The Somerville Fire Department at all three stations, Kinmount, Burnt River, and Baddow, will have "Open House" on Saturday, June 19 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. This is a good time to ask questions and learn all about the work of our fire department. If you are in need of a job, visit the Employment Resource Centre at 34 Cambridge Street South in Lindsay, upstairs above post office. For information call 705-878-7092.

Welcome to Walter Rinzema, who has been appointed as the new account manager for the CIBC at the Coboconk bank. You can reach Walter at 705-454-3373.

Marg Richardson is nursing a broken wrist these days due to a nasty fall.

The many friends of a long time vet Dr. Ronald Earl Lawrence, are saddened to learn of his sudden death at his home in Lindsay.

Hazel Young passed away on May 17 in the Ross Memorial Hospital. She made her home here in Coboconk, thought recently went to a seniors residence in Lindsay.

The former owner of the Patti House here in Coboconk, some years ago, passed away at his home at Elliot Lake on May 25. Bill and Millie Moss ran the hotel for many years, later going to Kinmount when they sold the hotel, then to Norland, and, yes, for a while they had a store in Fenelon Falls. Sympathy goes out to Millie and the family, also to the Young and Lawrence family.

A very tragic accident on Saturday night, May 29, took the life of Marian Woodhead, when the vehicle she and her husband Derek were travelling in, was struck from behind by a van or car driven by a drunk driver. Years ago, the Woodhead family had Lincoln Lodge on the lake at Rosedale.

Bill Goard and Ross Wren are both having surgery in Toronto. Get well soon, guys!

Lloyd Curl of Belhaven, visited his parents, Walter and Hilda Curl last week.

Sympathy goes out to Edith Watson in the sudden death of her husband Cecil. Cecil and Edith farmed just north of Rosedale for many years and moved into Fenelon Falls when they retired.

Shirley Bowins,of Coboconk, enjoyed a seven-week vacation with a friend, visiting New Zealand and Australia, with a stop-over in Fiji on the way home. She says it was "an incredible adventure". Highlights included touring a sheep farm, the Bay of Islands, a Maori village, the Waitakire Rain Forest, Auckland, Adelaide, the Kangaroo Islands (where she was chased by an emu wanting her ice cream cone), Brisbaine, Airlie Beach and the site of the 2000 Olympics in Sydney.

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Trails and Tours Talk

by BARRIE MARTIN

Go for Green, the Active Living and Environment notes ample evidence that trails that trails most often economically benefit both adjacent landowners and the local business community.

Trailblazers Peter Brogden, Ray Laughlin and Barry Withers have been exploring local landscapes in hopes of creating more hiking trails in the county. They have submitted a proposal to Stanhope council for the development of a trail from the Stanhope's recreation area to Little Hawk Lake. The proposed trail would link existing trails and provide a 10 K hike along the crest of an escarpment with three good lookouts and optional loops. The proposal is currently before council.

$10,000 from the Millennium Fund along with matching funds and services is being used to initiate the development of trail information kiosks to be located at "gateways" into the county. The kiosks, inspired by plans developed by Scenic Highway 35 Association, will display maps showing local and regional trails and promote local businesses. A project manager is currently being sought to co-ordinate the location and development of the kiosks.

ness community, local municipal government, and members at large. Nominations are now open. If you would like to nominate someone or you are interested in serving on the Board please contact ours Trails Coordinator.

• The HHTTN is hiring student Kelly Cordick under the Summer Experience Program to help with the Network. Melissa Rowell, a youth program employee of Family Services, is assisting the Network. We are also sharing students and special employment staff with the Drag River Rehabilitation Project and the Municipality of Stanhope.

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STRAWBERRY SUPPER
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705 WEDDINGS/ ENGAGEMENTS

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are happy to announce their forthcoming marriage on
June 26, 1999
Wedding will be held at St. Peter's Anglican Church in Stanhope, at 7:00 p.m.
Dance to follow at the West Guilford Community Centre at 8:30 p.m.
Friends and family welcome
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DAN GARBUTT & HANNAH McGREGOR
along with their parents would like to invite their friends and neighbours to join them at their *wedding celebration*
beginning at 8:30 p.m. on June 26
at the Minden Community Centre, upstairs

707 BIRTHS

McNEIL – What a joy, it's a boy! Tim and Dawn (nee Coumbs) thank God for the safe arrival of their first son,
NOAH TIMOTHY OWEN
born May 10, 1999
weighing 5 lbs., 4 oz.
Proud grandparents are Arnold and Ferne Coumbs and John and Carol McNeil. Very special thank you to Dr. Loeb. Also a big thank you to Dr. Bhatia, Dr. Winters, Dr. J. Fagan and Betty Lee Quackenbush and all the nurses in the maternity ward at Ross Memorial Hospital. Your support will never be forgotten.

708 OBITUARIES

SHARP, GEORGE: Passed away into God's continued care on May 16, 1999. George leaves his wife and dear friend, Eleanor. George was born in Toronto and married Hazel Newstead in 1948. They shared eight children and 44 happy years together. George was known as a soft-spoken gentleman who, prior to retiring, worked as a printer. George enjoyed many summers at the cottage with family: Alice Mintz (Blair), Bonnie Dewey (Frank), Corinne Whitwill (John), Del (Darlene), Ed (Pauline), Francine Berry (Paul), Ian (Patricia), and James. George also had 22 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. His friends will remember his sweet smile, his fondness for his trains, sailing, wiener roasts, the dance hall, Tamarack Lake and his love of God and his love for his family. George was respectfully honoured in a memorial service held on May 20, 1999 in Toronto.

HADDEN GILLESPIE: At home at Lengillinn on June 15, 1999 with his family. Dear husband of Lenore for more than fifty years, proud father of Hugh and JoAnne, Nora and Jim, and Mary Ellen. Loving grandfather of Lauren and Ryan, Campbell, Emily and Andrew. Born in Innerkip on January 29, 1927. Hadden attended Stratford Normal School in 1945. In 1946, Hadden began a long career in education, as teacher and principal of a two-room schoolhouse at Hickson. Lenore was the other teacher. Hadden moved to Etobicoke in 1950, serving as teacher, principal, superintendent and, from 1980 until his retirement in 1982, Director of Education. Following his retirement, Hadden became an active member of the community of Haliburton. Hadden is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario and the University of Toronto. The family received friends from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, June 18, 1999, at their home on Kashaga Drive in Haliburton. A Memorial Service was held at Haliburton United Church on Saturday, June 19, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. If desired, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Arrangements, Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., (1-888-588-5777).
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709 IN MEMORIAM

NICHOLLS, BARBARA – In loving memory of a dear mother-in-law and grandmother who passed away June 21, 1998.
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Dear to our hearts is the place where you sleep.
Sadly missed by **Judy, Amy and Wendy.**

NICHOLLS, BARBARA – In loving memory of a dear sister, sister-in-law, aunt and great aunt, who passed away June 21, 1998.
A heart of gold stopped beating
Hard working hands at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.
The leaves and flowers may wither
The golden sun may set
But the hearts that love you so dearly
Are ones that never forget.
Sadly missed by **Dorothy, Ted, Sheila, Leslie, Bob, and Corey.**

712 CARDS OF THANKS

THANK YOU to everyone who came to visit me in the hospital and after I came home. Thank you for the flowers, plants, cards, fruit, food, etc. Special thanks to my family, neighbours, Northern Jam, and especially Neil, who has hardly let me lift a finger since I've been home. Thank you again, **Betty Howe.**

THANK YOU to my Haliburton friends who came to Renfrew to celebrate my 90th birthday and also for many cards received, especially the good wishes from St. Anthony's Parish. **Jamesina Shields**

THE FAMILY OF the late Eliza Beatty, would like to thank the nursing staff and caregivers at Extendicare for the excellent care given to Eliza during her 4-1/2 year stay there. We would also like to thank Christopher Greaves for his thoughtful service, Campbell's Flowers for the beautiful floral tributes, Highland Gardens Produce for looking after the reception and also Monk's Funeral Home for looking after the arrangements.

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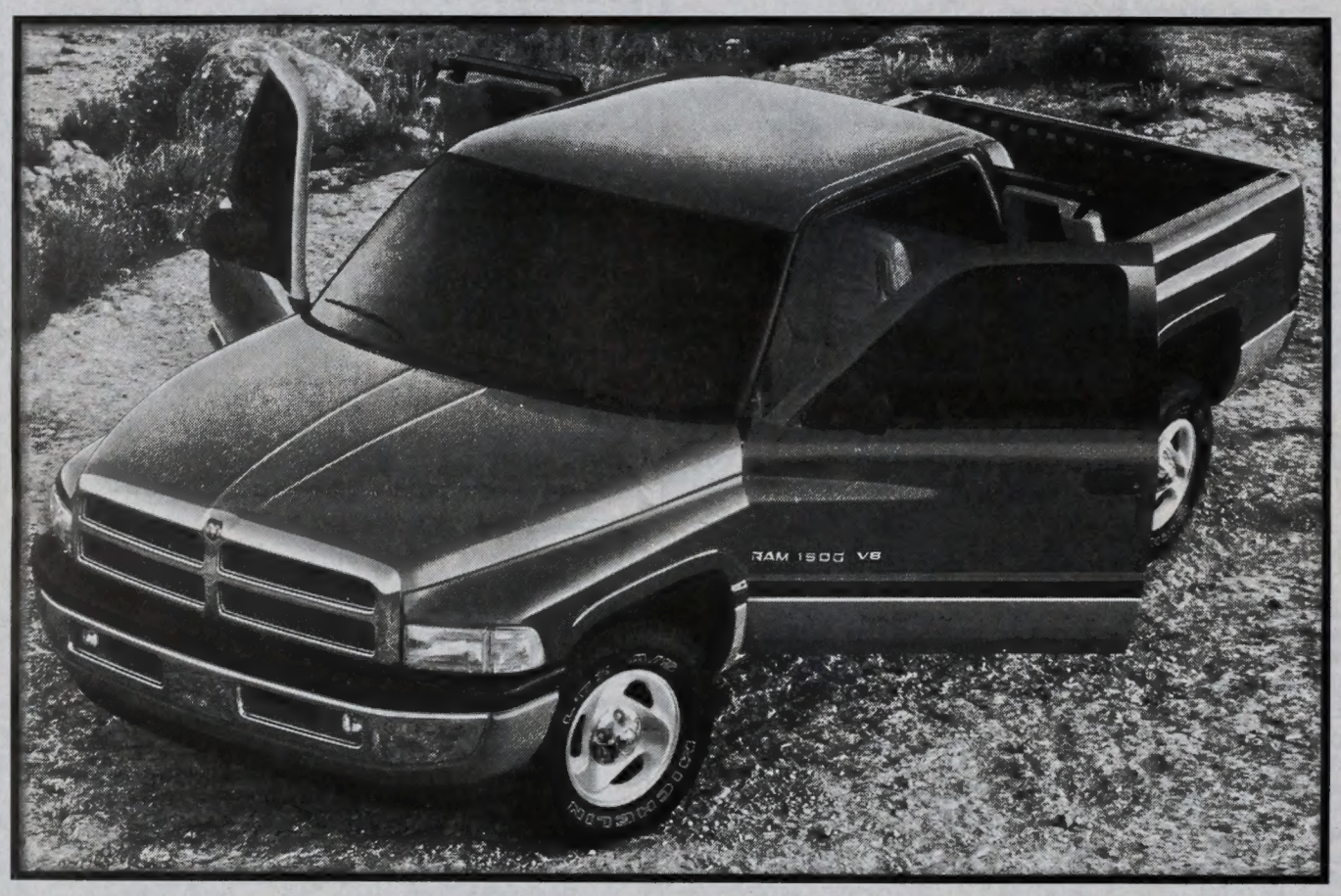

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